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ALTENHEIM, BADEN - The Evangelical Church, as it appeared before damage by fire from a French incendiary shell during Holy Week, 1945. When the Franks conquered the local [heathen] Alemannen in the year 496, they built on this site a Christian Church; remains of the old stones, split sandstone, were found here when the church was reconstructed 1949-51. The upper tower had collapsed into the nave, and the interior was gutted by fire; the great sandstone of the altar, from about 1695, was shattered. In the rebuilding, the general architectural features have been preserved; the outer walls were preserved, and still stand to serve the town. These walls date back to perhaps the enlargement of 1602.

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IN MEMORIAM - KATHERINA HANSEL

Born October 27, 1856 - Altenheim, uber Offenburg, Baden, Germany

Married October 14, 1875 - East St. Louis, St. Clair County, Illinois to John Frederick Duermyer

Died October 14, 1896 - Galena, Cherokee County, Kansas

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Katherina Hansel Duermyer was buried in an unmarked grave in 1896. Only one of the hundreds of thousands who have died in the course of the myriad family migrations which are a part of American History, she and the details of her life -- even of her existence -- were forgotten quickly except in the memory of her oldest children.

Her husband, grieving, never spoke again of her until his death, nor would he permit conversation about the family's European background and ancestry.

My thoughts of my Grandmother's illness and roadside death, as the family abandoned lands claimed in the "Cherokee Rush" and moved northward from their landclaim near Bluejacket, Indian Territory, to find a climate that would relieve her fever, grew to a melancholy obsession to learn something of her parentage and to try to gain acquaintance with her kin.

I learned that she was diligent, skilful with needlework and lace, and filled with great affection and respect for her people. Further, in a day when most of America's "Pioneer Mothers" were illiterate or even unable to sign their own signatures, she was literate in several languages, often called upon to translate and rewrite papers and letters for her neighbors, and to interpret for their understanding new thoughts and problems encountered in the pioneering communities.

Here, twenty-five years after starting the search, is her memorial ----a "family tree" centering in the old German lands of Baden and the (now French) Alsace.

Louis Duermyer

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FRAU HANNAH KAPPUS MULSOW

It was only a few months after travel in Germany had again been opened up to civilians on private affairs, at the end of the war, that I was able to make my first visit to Altenheim.

Here, I saw the Evangelical Church nearing its rebuilding, and was taken to see the cemetery nearby.

At the pastor's home, I was introduced to a modest widow, dressed all in the traditional German black. My few words of German, and a prepared letter telling of my grandmother's birth and my interest in the family records, were amplified through the kind interpretations of a young ministerial student, betrothed to one of our distant cousins in the town.

Meeting, I did not know that here was a real student of Altenheim, with a scholar's acquaintance with the town records, and in fact highly proficient in German family research. Nor did I forsee how her mounting interest in our correspondence (which has now run for about ten years) would bring to our knowledge an unusually accurate and detailed record of hundreds of our grandparents, and other hundreds of our uncles, aunts, and cousins!

Later, as her deep studies overturned some of the first family data secured before the war by the earlier German town authorities and local ministers, I first began to appreciate this great blessing bestowed on our attempts to gather knowledge of our forefathers.

From time to time, I even found our genealogist to be a fair artist! To show me the design of an ancestor's home, or an old Inn figuring in the history, or details of a town's construction, she often made skilful sketches. These explained more than could have been described, and provided copies in this way from old, rare, illustrations and plans.

As our ancestry traced back to towns beyond easy reach, across the Rhine in the Alsace, etc., Frau Kappus employed other researchers, but kept careful control of their searches and interpreted their findings for our use.

I do not know how great our kind friend's study of English had been before she undertook our work. This I can say: It was a really difficult and unusually burdensome task, to undertake making all the original searches in the modern German, ancient German, and old Latin records, only to have to recast the results in an unfamiliar language while depending principally on dictionaries and grammars as her sole help!

Asked for a biographical sketch, Frau Kappus sent this for our book:-

> Hannah Kappus-Mulsow was born the 15th of February, 1890, in Brombach, Kreis Loerrach, in the sowthwestern corner of Baden. Her father, the Minister Johannes Mulsow, was from Mecklenburg [Baltic Sea.] Her mother, Anna, born Brauch, was a native of Baden.
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> In 1898, Hannah came with her parents and her brother to Altenheim, where her father officiated as minister until 1924. The brother died in 1914, in Flanders.

Hannah Mulsow was married in 1918, at Wiesbaden, to the teacher Christian Kappus. Their one child was a son, born 1920; he is the botanist, Dr.Ver.Nat. Adolf Kappus of Freising - Weihenstephan.

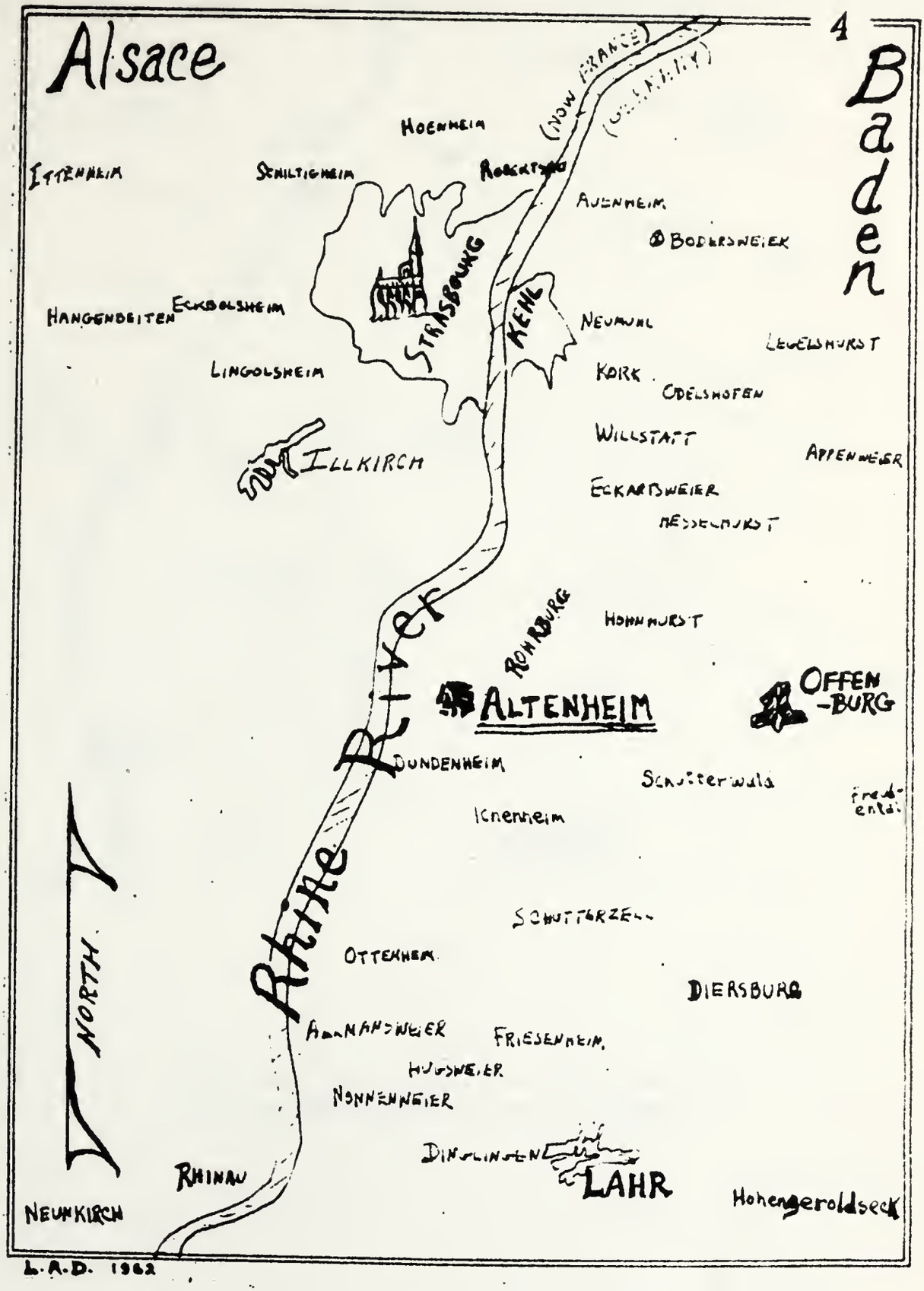
Obtaining a divorce in 1927, Frau Hannah Kappus-Mulsow returned to her Altenheim home, where her parents died in their old age, in 1936 and 1947. Christian Kappus remained in Weisbaden, and there was killed in his lodgings by Russian Partisans in 1945.

Frau Kappus and her son share the enjoyment of nature and the science of plants. From one of her letters: "When I walked from Hesselhurst to Eckartsweier, I saw beside the narrow road a few dozens of a plant that has grown in Baden only in this one place since more than 60 years ago: the silk plant, Asclepias. This was a great pleasure for me and my son, who made photos of them. And among the meadows of Eckartsweier I had a very happy half-hour, for the air was so pure and fragrant that it was a delight to inhale, and not a single auto or motor-wheel!" [Many of the excursions to search the books of Altenheim's neighboring villiages had to be made on foot, sometimes in bad or cold weather.]

I can add to the above that her letters often spoke of weeks of 10-hour days laboring in the fields, and carrying water as the townfolk fought to save their crops from drought. All the while, she found time to progress our research while maintaining a home and encouraging and assisting her student son.

One amusing incident: I often planned to return to Altenheim, anxious to see the family home again, but even more interested in becoming better acquainted face-to-face with our benefactor. Time after time, last-minute changes in plans while abroad, and such things as planes overflying fogged-in airports, disrupted my schedules. At last I excused myself from a conference in Strasbourg long enough for a Sunday in Altenheim! Frau Kappus and her son walked with me about the town. Later she took me to photograph the old inn and the Hensel home. My face was sun-tanned from a recent excursion, and misled the townfolk (who were discreetly peeping out from concealment in their homes on that quiet Sunday.) It was soon gossiped around that Frau Kappus had walked through the villiage with "a Black!"

In coming centuries, the American descendants of the families in this book will grow to the thousands. Those who find this collection in some library and treasure this story of their own ancestry must share with me a great obligation and gratitude to our historian and genealogist, whose sketch is here concluded.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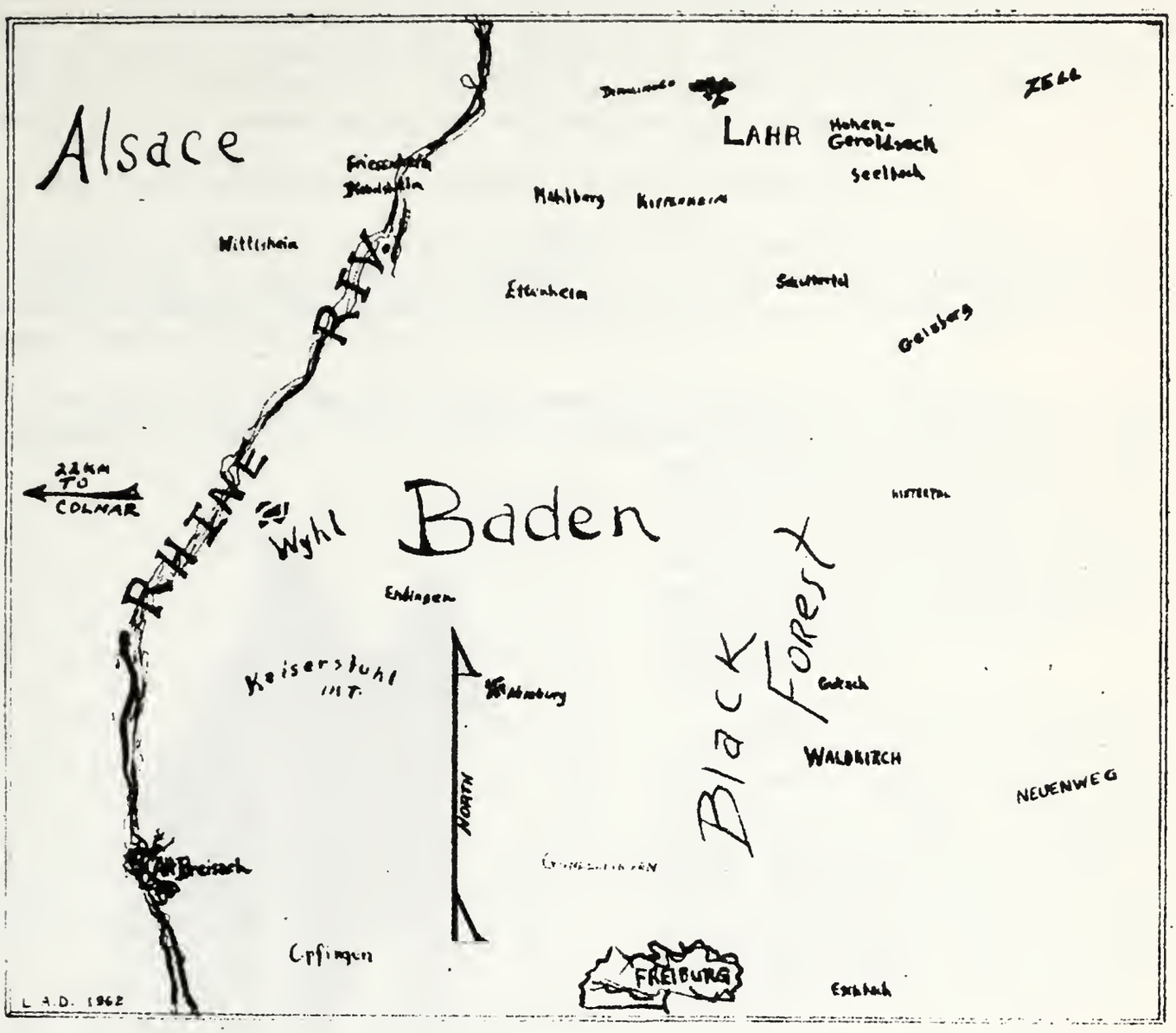


This map shows the area South of Lahr, at the bottom of the map on Page 4.

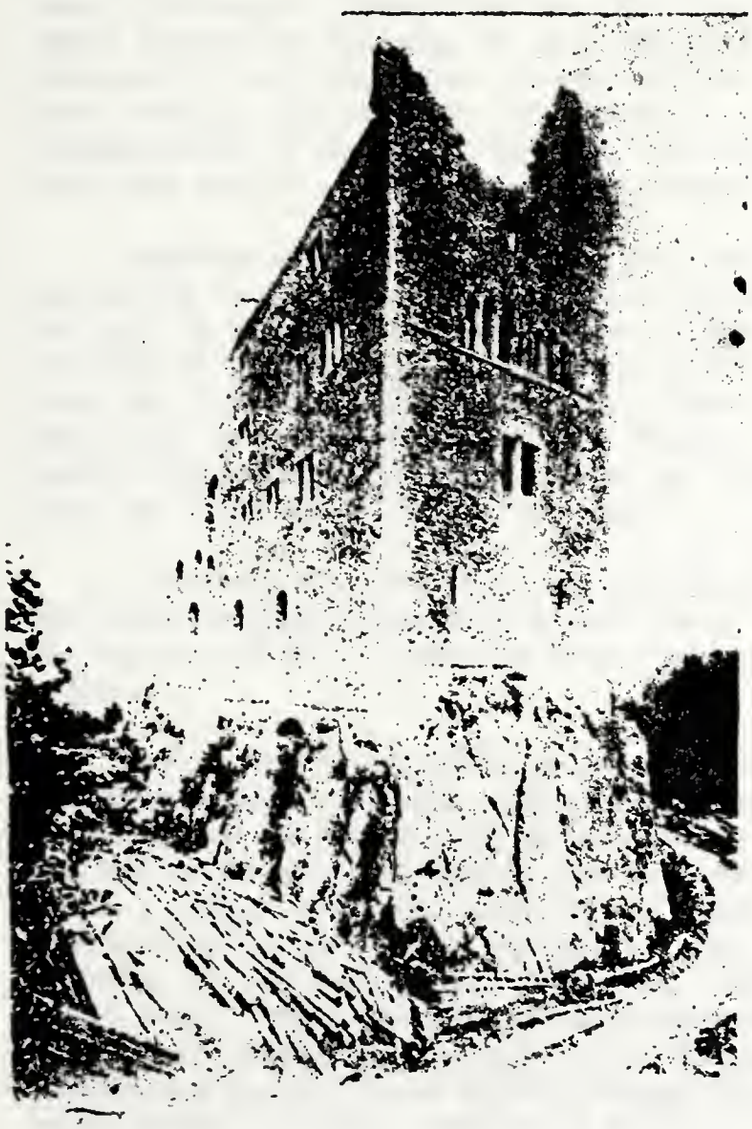
ALTENHEIM

Altenheim is a large, wealthy, villiage on the Badish Rhineplain, just across the Rhine from Strasbourg. The inhabitants are members of the old German tribe ALEMANNEN. This martial tribe was conquered by another German tribe, the Franks. Just as other victors, these took for themselves the best fields, called "kings' goods" and built a small church for the Christian occupation families. Parts of this old foundation were discovered in 1950 at the site of the present Evangelical Church; the stones were unhewn, some formed by splitting the natural rock in halves. Construction had not employed the square or rule.

The Alemannen remained heathen until the 7th century.

The first written notice of Altenheim is a document of a donation in 888. About 1000 A.D., a large church was built. Its tower became a part of the more modern building pictured earlier in this book, and is incorporated in the present Church of the villiage.

From the 13th through the 16th centuries Altenheim was ruled by the Counts of Geroldseck, a warlike family with a proud castle upon a rocky mount. They made Lahr the chief town of their country. After the death of the last of the Geroldseck counts, his sons-in-law inherited this little realm, whence thenceforth had the two proprietors, the princes of Baden and Nassau.

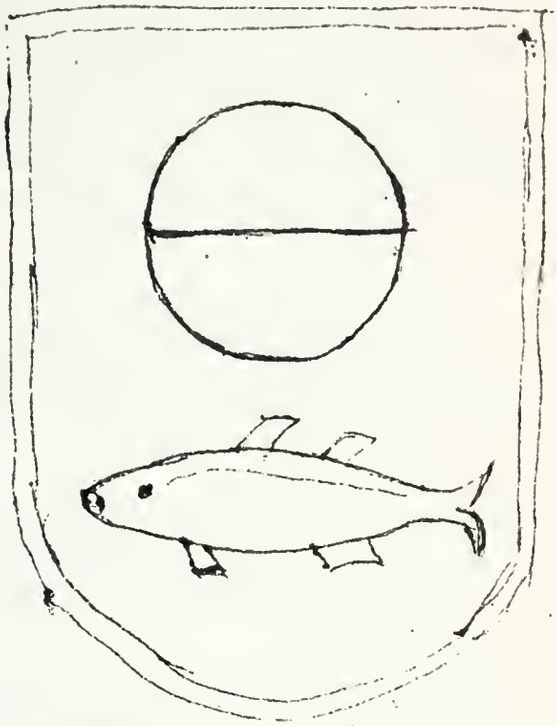


The Geroldseck Ruins

Becoming Lutheran in 1567, Altenheim's population grew until it became necessary to enlarge the church-nave in 1602. Oral tradition has it that Altenheim had 600 citizens by the outbreak of war in 1614; when the war ended in 1648, more than 90 per cent had been killed. Pestilence killed more souls than the arms of the enemy.

When Johann Heinrich Buettner became minister of the town in 1635, it was deserted. A few dozen peasants and fishermen lived on the nearby islands of the primeval Rhine, housed together with the remaining cattle in reed huts. Other villagers were in exile in Strasbourg, thrown on the hospitality of the great German town. In the dark narrow lanes, they slept on straw, crowded together with other towns' refugees, a prey to pestilence and death. Buettner remained faithfully with his little parish, where he is still remembered and where many carry his blood in their veins. One may see his tombstone, showing his death in 1669, in his 81st year.

The first written records useful to genealogists are the lists of field holders, dated in the 1540's. Altenheim families included in those days the following names which will be found in this genealogy:- Kopf, Reuter, Marzloff, Schmidt, Wurth, Hughlin, Jacob, and Marx.



The old arms of Altenheim. All villages of the former „Herrschaft Lahr" have in their arms the cross-beam of Geroldseck.

Hannah Kappus-Mulsow

The fisher-guild records dating from 1572 show the passage of fishing-rights from father to son, or to son-in-law; the fishers of today are the direct descendants of the first old fishermen who jealously parceled out pools and areas of the wild uncontrölled Rhine 400 years ago.

A new distress began in 1675. The French came over the Rhine with a great army, building a huge pontoon bridge very near Altenheim. Except for two or three small houses on the edge of the town, a blacksmith shop where the French horses were reshod, and the Inn "The Crown," headquarters of Marshall Turenne, all the town was burned and the poeple scattered.

Turenne and his troops went out from Altenheim to meet the Austrian troops, and he died by a ball. The Austrians fought briskly to prevent the French retirement over the pontoon bridge, and near Altenheim most of the proudest of the French battalions were destroyed; only a few were able to cross again into their land.

Altenheim was not alone in desolation; the other German towns nearby were also in ruins, and this commenced years of war, starvation, exile, and death in far places.

During the troublesome years 1678-82, the minister Thenn was sick and died. The church-book was also "escaped." Ministers from neighboring places, or young students out of Strasbourg were required to baptise, marry and bury the people who did not flee. In 1682 a new minister, G. B. Bach, came, and attempted to build a record with the help of the midwife and from some old papers. Some of the sacraments were recorded years later - some never. The deathbook, for example, is entirely blank from June, 1678, to January, 1680, and from 1681 until June, 1682, the entries are without most detail. A sample entry reads, "The Vicar Studiosus Moscheroseh of Strassbourg had buried: 1. Matern Rinkel's Haussfrau; 2. Der Alten Wittib Huegelin sohn; 3. Hanss Mayer Heisiger burger und schiffmann." No age, and for 1 and 2, no Christian name!

In 1681 the French king Louis XIV took away the famous old German town, Strasbourg; now the German people when seeking exilescould no longer flee there. Instead, they now went deep into the Black Forest or again to the little Rhine islands. Death again was rampant. Many of the first ancestors disappeared in this time, and the voids in the towns records leave the fate of many in doubt.

With the death of Louis XIV in 1715, a period of peace began. The survivors built huts on the sites of their former homes; strangers came, and the colonization brought sons, brothers, and cousins from surrounding areas. The meadows and fields were grown up in weeds, thornbushes took over the garden places. Furniture and tools had been burned with the houses, and all the farm animals stolen by the troops. The counts of Nassau had since 1726 held full dominion over the Herrschaft Lahr, and instead of helping their subjects rebuild, invented new taxes and enforced mandatory labor drafts. Notwithstanding, Altenheim had reestablished itself by about 1760, and by 1803, had nearly 1300 inhabitants and nearly as many houses and buildings as in 1618.

In 1803, Karl Friedrich of Baden, a kind and wise ruler, took over the area's government. His ruler was Napoleon, whose wars in Spain and Russia claimed the lives of many of Altenheim's young men. But the Napoleonic Wars left the villiage untouched, and it grew in wealth to an enviable position among its neighbors.

The next events important ot Altenheim's American kin involve the spoiled crops, hateful weather, and general poverty and starvation of the years beginning in 1851. It is interesting to read from the minister's journal. The Reverend Karl Friedrich Arnold wrote:-

9 May 1851 - The cold, rainy weather continues. The grain and the wine are suffering by it. Potatoes and Indian corn cannot be gotten into the ground. Many emigrate to America.

13 June 1851 - The state of war continues [after the revolution of 1848-49] The police are sharp; on the stroke of 10 [P.M.] the inns must be closed.

21th July 1851 - Several people - most unmarried - go from here to America, some of them from the poor house. The community pays the costs, 80 florins, for passage and food. 20 florins given into each ones hands. The emigrants go first to New York and then mostly to St. Louis where many Altenheimer are settled. God with Them!

30th July 1851 - The weather is continually very unfavorable, that the corn can hardly be brought in. The summer continually keeps its damp and cold character.

6th August, 1851 - By an unexampled inundation our region is afflicted hardly. - - The damage is considerable, especially to the tobacco and the potatoes that suffer also by the sickness.

20th September 1851 - There leave us again 12 individuals, among which are three families, for emigration to America, the most with costs by the community.

8th November, 1851 - The emigration continues, but from here only a few families travel. From Legelshurst, on the contrary, have 107; from Eckartsweier, 38, and from Meissenheim 72 persons emigrated. It is a migration of nations!

13th April, 1852 - Great need in the Odenwald. [near Heidelberg] The hunger did appear there with all its horrors, In Altenheim also many beggars come into the houses.

26th April, 1852 - Continually dry; many cattle die of hunger.

9th August 1852 - The weather is as ill as ever for harvest; much corn did grow out in the field. The illness of potatoes appears again. The emigration continues.

16th August 1852 - The wet continues; by that much of the [second hay crop] perishes and the potatoes rot.

22nd September 1852 - Tomorrow 29 persons again go to America, partly to St. Louis, partly to Cincinnati. In 20 years, nearly 400 persons have emigrated from here.

And so on - - -

Recovery came at last, but many Altenheimers continued to leave for new homes in the New World. The wars of 1870/71 and 1914/18 bypassed the town, and untouched it continued to grow. Enlargements to the Church provided places for 1400 members. It is fortunate that these years for rebuilding ensued, for after a rest of 230 years, war again came to Altenheim in 1944 and 1945. 14 persons, mostly women and children, were killed by aerial bombing, and 1 by artillery. The Church was a sea of flames, with its great stone altar cracked by the falling tower. The large mill and several of the houses were burned out; 80 per cent of the houses received some damage, either major or slight. But the old inheritance of the Altenheimers seems to be at work, and the town is now rebuilt to unprecedented prosperity and beauty.

Beside the archives at Karlsruhe relating to emigration passports, citizens' rights, etc., the following records are available for Altenheim:-

1. The oldest churchbook - running from 1635 into 1726. Baptisms, confirmations, marriages, deaths, notices of wars and floods, and miscellaneous written history are to be found.

2. Commencing during 1726, separate books show baptisms, marriages, and deaths. These are continuous to the present time, except for the voids described for 1778-82.

3. Family books - commencement about 1810. There was an early family-book, in the 1600's. This has not been in Altenheim for at least 150 years. These books are actually genealogical charts. Until 1850, the books are alphabetical; since then, chronological.

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CHAPTER 1

Genealogical Chart

JOHN FREDERICK DUERMYER AND WIFE KATHERINA

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John Frederick Duermyer was born 10 June, 1847 in Femme Osage Township, St. Charles County, Missouri. His parents were Bernhard Durmeier and wife Margaret (probably Catherina Margaretha Elsbein.) He died at Kansas City, Wyandotte County, Kansas, on 23 December, 1913. Burial, December 25th, was in Woodlawn Cemetery. He had worked as a farmer, then homesteader, and at the time of his death worked in a meat packer's plant in Kansas City.

The spelling of the family name was changed when a schoolteacher in the Cherokee Strip (Indian Territory) suggested the modification.

Katherina Hansel or Hensel was born 27 October, 1856, at Altenheim, uber Offenburg, Baden, Germany. She was christened in Altenheim's Evangelical Church on October 28th. Brought to the United States with her parents as a small child, she married John F. Duermyer at East Saint Louis, St. Clair County, Illinois, 14 October, 1875. Her health failed when she contracted fever in the warm climate of Arkansas or the Indian Territory. Remedies failing, her husband left the land claimed in the "Oklahoma Rush" and started northward with the family, seeking better health for his wife. The family stopped several times enroute. While passing through Galena, Cherokee County, Kansas, she died on 14 October, 1896, and was buried there on the 16th of October.

Children of this couple:-

1. Benjamin Michael Duermyer
2. William Duermyer
3. Catherine Duermyer
4. Bertha Anna Duermyer
5. Frank Joseph Duermyer
6. John Robert Duermyer
7. Kate Mary Duermyer
8. Louis Lenord Duermyer

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1. Benjamin Michael Duermyer was born 19 September, 1876, on the family farm near Labbadie, Franklin County, Missouri. He died at Kansas City, 10 February, 1937. Wife:- Anna Dusenberry. No children.

2. William Duermyer. Infant. Born April, 1880. Died January, 1881.

3. Katherine Duermyer. Infant. Born and died 1881.

4. Bertha Anna Duermyer, born 28 May, 1882, near Labbadie. She became the "mother" of the little family when her own mother died, and postponed her own marriage to care for her father's family: She presently makes her home at St. Joseph, Missouri.

On 6 April, 1913, she was married to William Henry Bacon, the son

of Judson Bacon and his wife Martha A. Kraunce. Mr. Bacon died 19 March, 1946, at St. Joseph, Buchanan County, Missouri. He was buried 21 March, at Rushville, Missouri, in Armstrong Cemetery.

Children:-

a. Bertha Belle Bacon - born 26 April, 1914. Married 1st, Robert H. White; 2nd, Carl J. Tushaus. Resides St. Joseph, Missouri

b. William Judson Bacon - born 18 October, 1916; d. 7 March, 1931

c. Forrest Glenn Bacon - born 17 March, 1920; died 27 May, 1960. Marriage details not available.

d. Raymond Robert Bacon - born 1 Feb., 1923

e. Alice Irene Bacon - born 18 April, 1926

5. Frank Joseph Duermyer was born at St. Charles, St. Charles County, Missouri, 12 November, 1884. He married 4 April, 1910, at Kansas City, Kansas, Minerva Adalaid Morris; she was the daughter of Thomas Lewis Morris and wife Emma Jane Green. Frank and his wife died accidentally on 8 July, 1949, while boating near Grove, Delaware County, Oklahoma. They are buried at Kansas City, Kansas.

Children:-

a. Francis Alexander Duermyer - born 29 September, 1910. He was an honor student in school, and died as a youth, on 2 November, 1927.

b. Emma Katherine Duermyer - born 23 June, 1912. Married Lester Lewis Dean. Res. Kansas City, Kansas.

c. George Phillip Duermyer - born 27 January, 1916; married Edna Deffenbaugh.

d. Thomas Frederick Duermyer - Born 11 February, 1921 - Twin - married Mary Maxine Moore

e. Lewis William Duermyer - Born 11 February, 1921 - Twin Marriage details not known

f. Morris Wayne Duermyer - born 13 September, 1922. Marriage details not known.

g. David Ross Duermyer - born 28 September, 1926. Marriage details not known.

6. John Robert Duermyer was born near Little Rock, Pulaski County, Arkansas, 9 February, 1888. He has never married, and makes his home at St. Joseph, Missouri.

7. Kate Mary Duermyer was born 28 September, 1891, at Vinita, Craig County, Oklahoma. She was married in 1923 to Frank Thelen, son of Philip Thelen and wife Mary Harmes.

Children of Frank and Kate Thelen:-

a. Frank Thelen, Jr. Born July, 1924, and died same month.

b. Henry Philip Thelen, born 3 February, 1927, Kansas City, Kansas. He operates a farm in Southern Missouri.

8. Louis Lenord Duermyer was born 19 February, 1895, at Racine, Newton County, Missouri. He died on his home place in "Miltonwood", near Parkville, Platte County, Missouri. on 14 February, 1932. Funeral and burial were on 17 February, 1932. He lies in Woodlawn Cemetery, Kansas City, Kansas, just a short distance from his father's grave.

He was married 25 August, 1913, at Kansas City, Wyandotte County, Kansas, to Anna Jane Ashbaugh, daughter of Ansel Smith Ashbaugh and wife Lucy Jane Cox. Anna was born 12 June, 1895, at Carrollton, Carroll County, Missouri. She has not remarried, and lives at Ogden, Utah.

Children:-

a. Louis Ansel Duermyer - born 17 September, 1914, Kansas City, Kansas. Single; lives New York City, N. Y.

b. Herman Bates Duermyer - born 8 Feb., 1917. Married 2 Nov.,1935, Mary Frances Whitton. Lives near Parkville, Missouri.

c. Charles Robert Duermyer - born 30 November, 1921; single. He makes his home with his mother, at Ogden, Utah.

d. Lucy Claudine Duermyer - born 19 September, 1924, at Maple Park, Clay County, Missouri. She was married 22 March, 1948, to Verlin Lee Coxey, and lives with her family at Ogden, Utah.

Katherina's Father - Johann Michael Hansel and his Ancestry

A1 Johann Michael Hansel was born at Altenheim 22 October, 1823. He was christened 26 October, at the Evangelical Chapel. Coming with his family to the United States in October, 1865, he settled first near St. Louis, Missouri, then farmed near Ballwin, St. Louis County. He removed to near Berger, Franklin County, Missouri, where he occasionally took part in the activities of the community by serving as a substitute lay minister of the local church when no minister was available. He died at Berger about 1879. He was the son of Johannes Hansel and Katherina Anselm. [Please note the arrangement of this genealogy is as follows: Each person's parents may be found by doubling the Key Number - Thus since Johann Michael Hensel is Number A1, his father will be A2, and his mother A3; his grandparents will be Numbers A4, A5, A6, and A7.]

B1 Wife of Johann Michael was Christina Wiener. They were married at Altenheim 31 January, 1847. A reproduction of the transcript of their marriage record will be found on page 16. See Chapter 3 for Christina's personal data and ancestry.

Their Children:

A. Johann Michael Gottfried Hansel - Born Altenheim, 7 May, 1847; Died at Waterloo, Illinois, 12 December, 1938. He married the widow Christine Otto Reinhardt, of E. St. Louis, Illinois, and Waterloo, Illinois. She died 5 May, 1920. Both are buried in the Waterloo Lutheran Cemetery. No Children.

B. Christine Hansel - Born Altenheim, 19 September, 1848; died 1879 near St. Louis, Missouri and buried at Oak Hill Cemetery, Kirkwood, Missouri. Husband: Matthias Cressant, of St. Charles, Missouri, who died 1875 and who is also buried at Kirkwood. Their one child, Mary Christina Cressant, 1868-1925, married Jessie Adolph Cunio.

C. The infant Johannes Hansel, born and died at Altenheim, 2 May, 1851, 20 July, 1851.

D. Katherina Hansel - See Chapter 1 "IN MEMORIAM."

E. Karolina Hansel - Born 14 June, 1861, at Altenheim. While only a small child when she came with her parents to the United States, her memory of childhood experiences in Altenheim helped us discover our German origin-place. She died 28 October, 1948, at Arcadia, Iron County, Missouri, and is buried at Ironton, Missouri. She was married 23 June, 1878, at her father's home in St. Louis County, Missouri, to Johann Georg Leonhard Ott, son of Johann L. Ott and wife Anna Barbara Wanback, both from Germany. He was born 17 March, 1857, at Manchester, St. Louis,County, Missouri, and died 9 November, 1948, at Baden Station, St. Louis County. Buried at Arcadia, Missouri, Nov. 12th.

Their Children:

1. Johann Georg Michael Ott b. 21 Feb. 1880
2. Anna Christina Ott 14 Aug. 1882
3. Caroline Christina Ott 29 Aug. 1884
4. Georg Ott 10 Sep. 1886
5. Frederick Jacob Ott 10 Feb. 1889
6. Clara Ott 28 Oct. 1891
7. Edward Ott 30 Apr. 1896

F. George Hansel, the first of the family to be born in the United States, was born 3 April, 1871, at Ballwin, St. Louis Co., Mo. He was a glass worker and eventually contracted silicosis and died from impairment of lungs, 23 February, 1935, at St. Louis, Mo. He is buried in Valhalla Cemetery. Linda Augusta Ehrlich, his wife, was born 16 March, 1872, the daughter of Gottfried Eherlich or Ehrlish and wife Anna Holt, Gasconade County, Missouri. She married at Owensville, in 1895, and died 7 June, 1946, at St. Louis; buried in St. Louis' Valhalla Cemetery, June 10th. Their Children:

1. Emmet Hensel born 19 January, 1897 - Died 26 October, 1898
2. Edna Hensel 7 August, 1899 3 January, 1918
3. William Hensel 29 March, 1905 10 September, 1922
4. George Hensel 6 April, 1908. George corresponded faithfully in aiding us to contact our relatives, when family research was first commenced. We lost contact during the war years, and I would earnestly like to find if he is living, and where he can be reached. We have a debt of gratitude for his kindness, and I should like him to be acquainted with our information on the family history.

G. Henry Hansel, Twin of George, was born 3 April, 1871 at Ballwin, and died in infancy.

A2 Johannes Hansel - Cowherd and later Policeman - Born 31 January, 1800, at Altenheim. Christed there 2 February, 1800, and died there 13 Nov., 1870.

A3 Katherina Anselm, born 14 July, 1804; died 5 Dec., 1830; married to A2 26 January, 1823, all at Altenheim.

Their Children: (all born in Altenheim)

A. Johann Michael Hensel - A1 - See above.

B. Theobald Hensel - Born 13 March, 1825. Moved to America.

C. Katherina Hansel - Born 5 August, 1826; died 22 August, 1826.

D. David Hensel - Born 4 April, 1828. Moved to America.

E. Johannes Hansel - Born 17 October, 1829. Moved to America.

F. Jacob Hansel - Born 15 November, 1830, and lived only one-fourth hour.

A4 Johannes Hansel - Born 27 July and christened 28 July, 1773; died 5 September, 1838; all at Altenheim.

A5 Margaretha Salomea Fisher - Born 15 August, 1767; confirmed at Altenheim, 1777; died Altenheim 25 October, 1837. She married at Altehheim, 20 February, 1797, A4. Their Children:-

A. Margaretha Hansel - Born Altenheim 19 Feb., 1798 and died 18 July, the following year.

B. Johannes Hansel - A2, Above.

C. David Hansel, born 18 August and died 30 October, 1802.

D. Theobald Hansel - Born 3 February, 1805; died 24 April, 1881. Married 28 November, 1826, Catherina Elisabetha Baumgart(en).

The First Confirmation of Altenheim as our German Seat

Altenheim, den 14. Dezember 1938.

Herrn
Louis A. Duermyer

3334 Baltimore
Kansas City Missouri.
Nordamerika.

Jn der Anlage überreiche ich Jhnen anbei 27 Urkunden und ich glaube Jhren Wunsch erfüllt zu haben.

Jch nehme an, dass Sie ein Nachkomme von entweder: Johann Gottfried Michael Hänsel, geboren am 7.5.1847; oder von Christine Hänsel, geboren am 19.9.1848, oder von Katharina Hänsel, geboren am 27.1o.1856, oder von Karolina Hänsel, geboren am 14.6.1861, sind.

Zur Besseren Orientierung habe ich Jhnen einen Auszug gefertigt, damit Sie selbst auch in der Lage sind, die Urkunden auf jeden Namen zu verteilen. Jn einzelnen Urkunden vor 18oo wird es Jhnen auffallen, dass manchmal der Mädchenname am Schluss die beiden Buchstaben in Klammer (in)" hat, was daher rührt, dass vor 18oo die Namen der Mädchen mit "in" geschlossen haben, also demnach Fischerin und heute nur noch Fischer. Jch habe die Kirchenbücher so gut es ging zurückverfolgt, es liesse sich vielleicht noch eine weitere Generation feststellen, aber dies ist dann schon mit langem Suchen verbunden, auch besteht nicht die volle Garantie, dass dann die Angaben genau stimmen, weil die Bezeichnungen schon ungenau sind.

Bezüglich des unter 6 genannten Wiener Johann müssen Sie sich an das Pfarramt Eckartsweier, Amt Kehl, Baden, Deutschland wenden, welches die Urkunden wohl fertigen kann.

Jn der Hoffnung Sie gut bedient zu haben grüsst Sie mit dem Deutschen Gruss: H e i l H i t l e r !

Für das evangl. Pfarramt Altenheim:
Der mit der Erledigung Beauftragte
Wilhelm Gottlieb Jund
(Wilhelm Gottlieb Jund, Ratschreiber,)
Altenheim, über Offenburg, Baden

NB. Falls Sie noch Weiteres wünschen sollten, bitte ich um Mitteilung.

Great-Uncle John L. Ott recalled the family home as "Aldenheim". This was checked against the maps, and a letter brought back an immediate reply copied above.

A6 Michael Anselm - Born 21 March, 1774, at Altenheim. Christened 31st March. Died at Altenheim, 11 June, 1845. Death record says "burgher und ackersmann."

A7 Katherina Reuter - Born 9 November, 1780, Illkirch, the Alsace. Her family moved to Altenheim by 1784 and she was confirmed there; died in Altenheim 16 December, 1847. Her marriage was 18 September, 1803.

Child:

A. Katherina Anselm - A3.

Auszug aus dem Trauungsbuch

Jahrgang 1847
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der evangelischen Gemeinde in Altenheim.

Bräutigam:	Johann Michael Hänsel, Bürger und Taglöhner in Altenheim.
	Trautag: 31. Januar 1847-
Braut:	Christine W i e n e r ,
Eltern des Bräutigams:	Johannes H ä n s e l , Bürger und Polizeidiener in Altenheim und Katharina geb. Anselm.
Eltern der Braut:	Johann W i e n e r, Bürger und Weber in Altenheim und Katharina geb. Sengel.
Sonstige für die Abstammung wichtige Angaben:	Zeugen der Trauung waren: Georg Karl Fischer, Schneider und Theobald Rinkel, Krämer, beide in Altenheim.

(Stempel)

Die Richtigkeit auf Grund des Kirchenbuches bescheinigtt.

Altenheim, den 14. Dezember 1938.

Gebühr RM. -.60
Gebührenfrei

Der Standesbeamte:

J. V.

Marriage Record - Johann Michael Hänsel to Christine Wiener

A8 Jacob Hansel - Born 7 February, Christened 8th February, 1723, at Altenheim. Died 3 March, buried 5th March, 1785, Altenheim. Twice Married, the first wife being:-

Catherina Mild, born 13 May, 1714; died 12 Nov., 1766; marriage 15 Nov., 1745. She was daughter of Hanns Mild and wife Catherina Schaeffer. Children:-

A. Jacob b. 16 Aug., 1746; died 31 Oct., 1820; married 23 Jan., 1769, Catharina Krahmer.

B. Michael b. 19 September, 1747; died 20 Nov., 1747.

C. Ursula b. 13 Oct., 1748; died single, 27 May, 1769.

D. Diebold b. 31 March, 1751; lived until after 1766, in which year he was confirmed at Altenheim, but he then disappears from the records.

E. Anna Maria b. 11 Oct., 1753; died 5 June, 1832. She married 17 Feb. 1772, Jacob Rinkel.

F. Barbara b. 3 August, 1756; died 9 September of the same year.

G. Magdalena, twin of Barbara, died 17 August, 1756.

H. David b. 10 December, 1757; died 26 January, 1758.

Catherina Mild had been married previously; her first husband, Johann Georg Fischer, was the son of Johann Georg Fischer and wife Christina Marzloff. He was born at Altenheim, 10 April, 1712; died 26 November, 1744. Married 19 Nov., 1731. Children of this couple:-

A. Ursula Fischer b. 29 Oct., 1732; died 21 Feb., 1733.

B. Johann Georg Fischer b. 11 Jan., 1735; died 11 April, 1735.

C. Johannes Fischer b. 22 April, 1736; died 2 July, 1807. He was married 21 February, 1757, to Martha Spengler, who died at Altenheim 1 March, 1806.

D. Johann Georg Fischer b. 24 Jan., 1738; died 10 Nov., 1818. He married 6 April, 1761, Barbara Phillips, daughter of A18 and A19, and who died 23 March, 1790.

E. Catharina Phillips b. 25 June, 1741; died 1 January, 1770. She married 20 Nov., 1758, Michael Rauli of Altenheim.

A9 Margaretha Phillips, second wife of Jacob Hansel, was born at Altenheim 7 December, 1732, and christened the following day; she died at Altenheim 8 December, buried 11 December, 1783.

She had previously been married to Matern Schafer, who had himself been married first to Barbara Rinkel, 9 November, 1744. Barbara was born 29 March, 1723, and died 5 September, 1752. Their children were:-

A. Catharina Schafer born 9 June, 1745; died 20 Dec., 1809. Wife (married 9 Jan., 1769) of Conrad Schneider, who died at Altenheim 6 Aug., 1815.

B. Barbara Schafer born 7 July, 1748; died 15 April, 1816. She was wife (mar. 18 June, 1770) of the widower Diebold Marx who died in Altenheim 26 January, 1805.

Auszüge ~~zum Nachweis des arischen Abstammung~~
aus den Kirchenbüchern
der Evangelischen Pfarrei
Altenheim (Baden).

Für Treue der registermäßig beigelegten Kurzauszüge Nr.

Altenheim, den
Der Pfarrer

Tab. Nr.

1 — Bem. — geb. in — gest. in — a Taufregister — b Totenregister

2 — Hänsel Johann Michael — Bem. — geb. 22.X.1823 in Altenheim — gest. nach Amerika ausgewandert — a Taufregister Altenheim. — b Totenregister Altenheim.

Getraut: in Altenheim am 31.I.1847 — c Trauregister Altenheim

3 — Christine Wiener. — Bem. — geb. 31.8.1825 in Altenheim. — gest. nach Amerika ausgewandert — a Taufregister Altenheim. — b Totenregister

Eltern von 2

4 — Hänsel Johann — Bem. — geb. 31.1.1800 in Altenheim — gest. 13.11.1870 in Altenheim — a Ta.Reg. Altenheim — b Ta.Reg. " — c Tr.Reg. Altenh. Getr. am 26.1.1823 in Altenheim

5 — Anselm Katharina — 14.7.1804 Altenheim. — 5.1.1830 Altenheim — Altenheim — "

Eltern von 3

6 — Wiener Johann — Bem. — geb. [illegible] in Eckarteweier — gest. 26.8.1853 in Altenheim — a Ta.Reg. I — b Ta.Reg. " — c Tr.Reg. Altenh. Getr. am 13.2.1825 in Altenheim.

7 — Sengel Katharina. — 10.10.1799 Altenheim. — 31.12.1832 Altenheim. — " — "

Eltern von 4

8 — Hänsel Johannes — geb. 27.7.1773 in Altenheim — gest. 5.9.1838 in Altenheim — a Ta.R. " — b Ta.R. " — c Trau-Reg. " — Getraut: 26.2.1797 Getr. Altenheim.

9 — Fischer Margaretha — 15.8.176[illegible] — 25.10.1837 Altenheim.

Eltern von 5

10 — Anselm Michael — geb. 31.3.1774 in Altenheim. — gest. 11.6.1845 in Altenheim. — a Ta.R. " — b Ta.R. " — c Trau-Reg. " — Getr. 18.3.1802 in Altenheim

11 — Reuter Katharina — 28.4.17[illegible] — 16.12.18[illegible]

Eltern von 6

12 — geb. in — gest. in — a Ta.R. — b Ta.R. — c Trau-Reg. — Getr. in

Eltern von 7.

13 — Sengel Jakob — geb. 8.7.1775 in Altenheim — gest. 12.I.1854 in Altenheim — a Ta.R. " — b Ta.R. " — c Trau-Reg. " — Getr. 12.11.1798 in Altenheim.

14 — Fink Katharina — 25.4.1779 — 10.X.1845 Altenheim.

Nicht-Evangelische sind jeweils besonders vermerkt.
Ergänzungen und berichtigende Eintragungen unter und dritter Pfarr- und Standesamter sind unter Angabe der Nr. und Reg. a b c auf der Rückseite zu beachten.

Gebühr: RM
Gebührenfrei

Buchdruckerei Robert Geiger — Karlsruhe.

Ancestry chart
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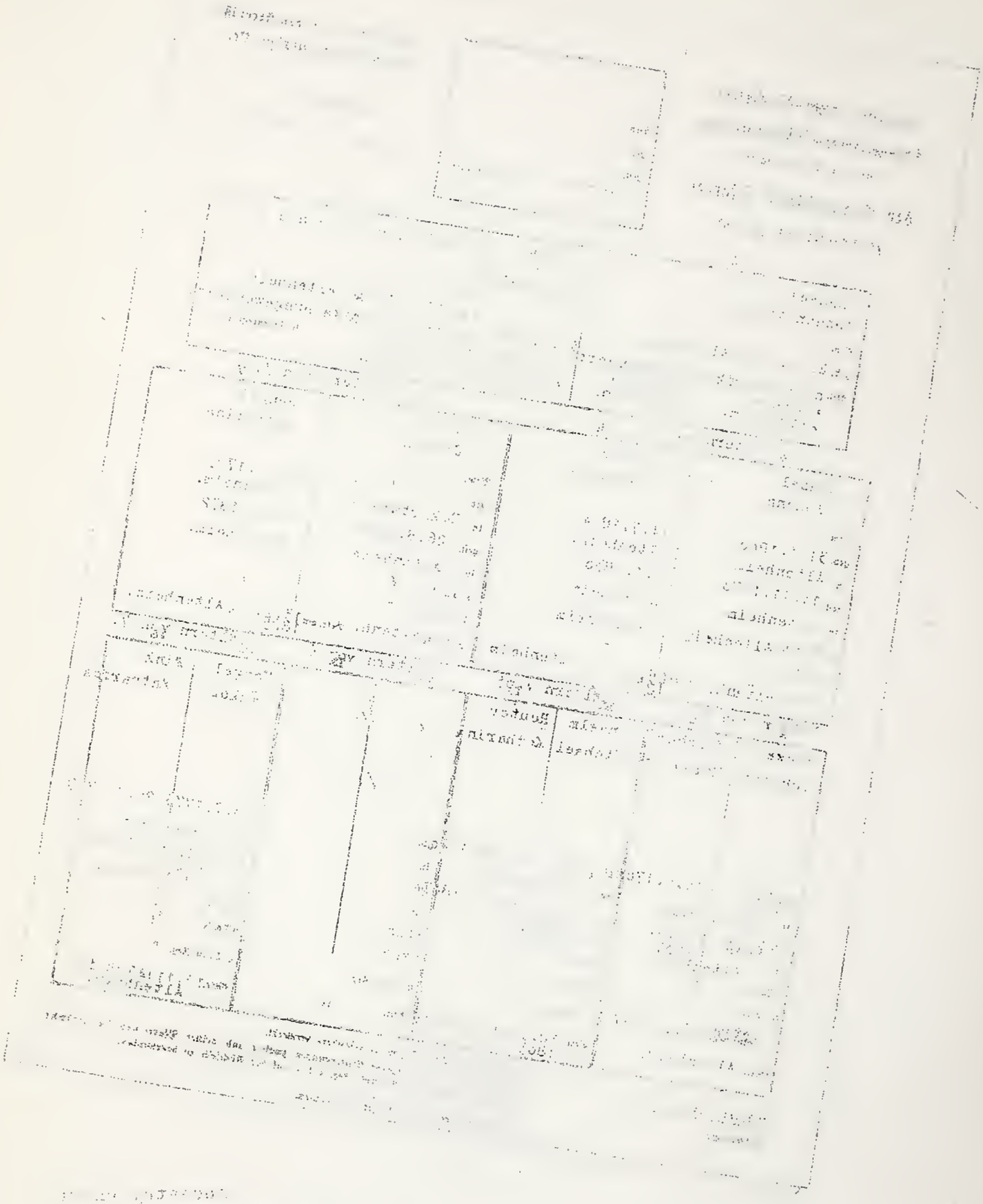
the Minister at Altenheim. At
the time, it did not seem strange that
the information should arrive on a form used
for official Nazi Party [arischen] purposes!



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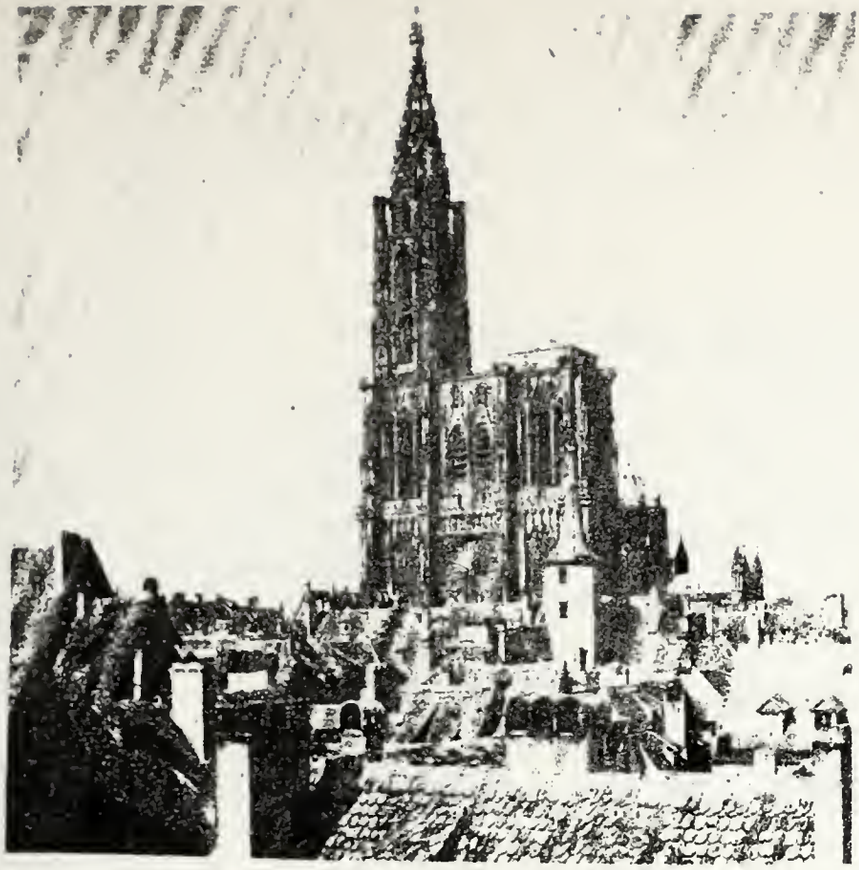

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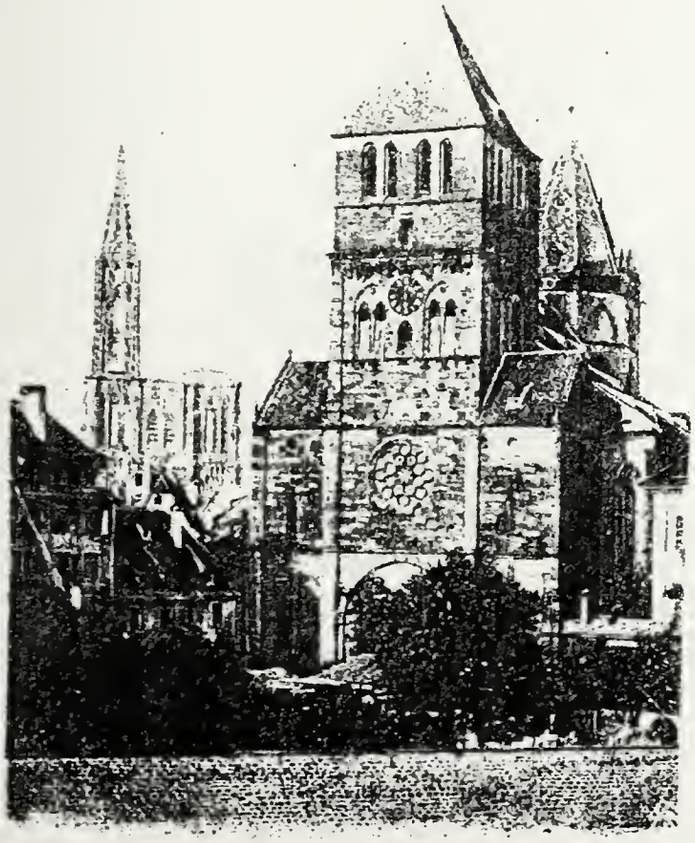

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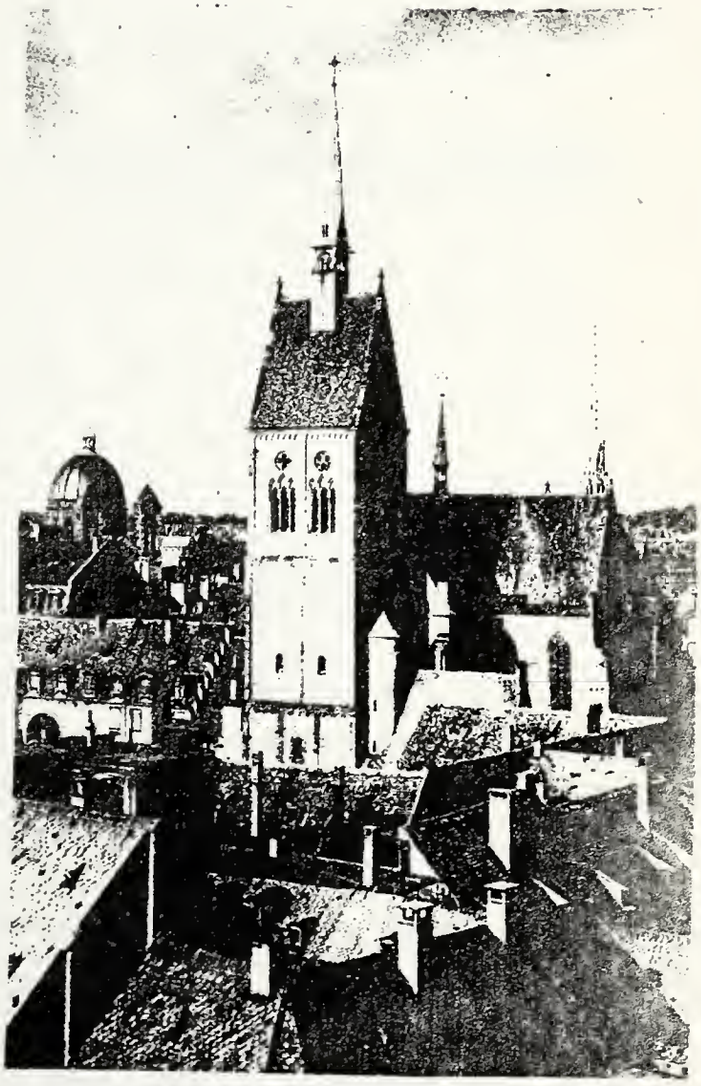

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Altenheim, den 1[illegible]. Mai 1939.

Auszug aus dem Kirchenbuch der evang. Kirchengemeinde Altenheim:

Annus 1718	Sponsus	Pater Sponsi	Sponsa	Pat. Sponsae
d 19 Jan. Ein Hurenpaar	Andreas Philipp.	Hs Philipp.	Ursula Marxin	Jacob Marx.

Für die Richtigkeit dieses Auszugs:

Evang. Pfarramt Altenheim:

Marriage Record - Andreas Phillips to Ursula Marx [A18-A19]

Margaretha Phillips' marriage to Matern Schafer was at Altenheim, 17 September, 1752. He was born and died at Altenheim, 9 October, 1719 - 4 October, 1766. Their children:-

A. Andreas Schafer b. 2 Jan., 1755; died 23 Sept, 1757.

B. Ursula Schafer b. 24 July, 1756; died 17 Nov., 1813. She was the wife of Abraham Garzeller.

C. Johannes Schafer b. 22 Dec., 1758; death and marriage records not found.

D. Matern Schafer b. 3 March, 1761; died 10 April, 1829. He married first, 26 April, 1784, Anna Maria Phillips, who died 10 January, 1803. He then married, 11 April, 1803, Ursula Mild.

E. Diebold Schafer b. 17 December, 1764; died 9 January, 1765.

F. Diebold Schafer b. 5 July, 1766; died 25 December, 1769.

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Altenheim,den 12. Mai 1939.

Auszug aus dem Kirchenbuch der evang.Kirchengemeinde Altenheim:

Getauffte 1 6 9 3 .

Dnica 22 Trinit.d.12.9bris Wurde Hanß Philipsen,dem Pischer,und seiner haußfrauen Margrethae Marzloffin ein söhnl.gebohren,und folgenden Dinstag d.14 ejusd. in meinem Hauß weg meiner Kranckheit getaufft nahmens A n d r e a s .Gevattern waren:Hanß Jörg Hänßel, der schiffmann,Diebold Marx,d ledige,und Elisabetha Hüglin,auch ledig.

Für die Richtigkeit dieses Auszu s:

Evang.Pfarramt Altenheim:

Anm: Dnica 22 Trinit.d.12.9bris = 22.Sonntag nach Trinitatis den 12.November !

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Altenheim,den 12. Mai 1939.

Auszug aus dem Kirchenbuch der evang.Kirchengemeinde Altenheim:

A n n u s 1 7 5 2	Aetas	Persona defuncta	Morbus	Ev.ordin.
Den 17.Febr.gest. den 20 d.D.Jnvoc. begr.	58 jahr 3 Mon. 6 tag.	Andreas Philipps der Fischer	Hizig Fieber und Seitenstechen.	

Für die Richtigkeit dieses Auszugs:

Evang.Pfarramt Altenheim:

Birth and Death Records - Andreas Phillips [A18]

10

Altenheim,den 12. Mai 1939.

Auszug aus dem Kirchenbuch der evang.Kirchengemeinde Altenheim:

Getauffte 1 6 9 4 .

Freytags d.22.9bris.Wurde Jacob Marxen,Meyern zu Rohrburg,und seiner hausfrauen Anna Paulin ein töchterl.gebohren u folgenden 24.Trinit d.24.9br.getaufft nahmens Ursula.Gevattern waren:Hanß Marzluff,Hanß Heinrich Bickerd und Christina,Hanß Jundten wittib.

Für die Richtigkeit dieses Auszugs:

Evang.Pfarramt Altenheim:

Anm: 222 9bris = 22.November !

10

Altenheim,den 12. Mai 1939.

Auszug aus dem Kirchenbuch der evang.Kirchengemeinde Altenheim:

Annus 1766	Aetas	Pers.defuncta	Morbus & Textus.
D 19ten 8br Gestorben d 20ten begraben	72 Jahr 1 Mänath. 27 Tage.	Ursula Philippsin Weyl:Andreas Philippsen Wittib.	Brustfieber Text:Phil.1 V.23.

Für die Richtigkeit dieses Auszugs:

Evang.Pfarramt Altenheim:

Anm: 19ten 8br = 19.Oktober !

Birth and Death Records - Ursula Marx [A19]

The marriage of Jacob Hansel A8 and Margaretha Phillips A9 was the second for each; married at Altenheim on 18 April, 1768, the had the following children:

A. Christian Hansel - Born 12 March, 1769. No further record.

B. Barbara Hansel - Born 7 January, 1772; died 20 November, 1846. Married 7 June, 1790, Andreas Bieckert.

C. Johannes Hansel - A4.

A 10 Johann Michael Fischer, druggist and surgeon, and Citizen of Lahr, Baden, Germany, was born 1 August, 1734 At Lahr. He died at Altenhiem on 29th May, buried 31st May, 1778.

A 11 Johanna Juliana Muller was born at Allmannsweier, bei Lahr, Baden; she died 8th May and was buried 9th May, 1818, Altenheim. She was first married to A 10, J. M. Fishher, on 14 January, 1760, at Lahr.

Their children:

A. Christina Elisabeth Fischer born 10 Nov., 1760, Lahr.

B. Margaretha Salomea Fischer A 5 - Born at Lahr.

C. Juliana Dorothea Fischer born 25 Jan., 1765; Altenheim.

D. Sophia Magdalena Fischer born 26 June, 1767; died 23 Sept., 1767.

E. Carolina Fischer born 13 Nov., 1768; note that most of the daughters apparently removed with family from Altenheim, and married elsewhere.

F. Johann Michael Fischer born 19 May, 1773; died 29 May, 1808, at Altenheim, while home on a visit; he was a Prussian mercenary soldier and while in Warsaw, married a woman whose name is not know.

G. Georg Carl Fischer born 24 May, 1775; died 20 April, 1806. On February 4, 1799, he married Ursula Duerr, who died 27 January, 1847.

Johanna Juliana Muller married as a widow, in Altenheim, 15 March, 1779, Johann Friedrich Zimmermann, son of Johann Christian Wilhelm Zimmermann, chemist of Brumath, the Alsace, and his wife Maria Dorothea Murmann. This husband was also a chemist; the house in which he and Johanna Juliana made their home is pictured on the following page, in a sketch made by Frau Kappus from a damaged antique picture. She describes it as "a poetic house." Zimmermann was born 31 July, 1755, at Brumath, and died at Altenheim 17 February, 1810. Children:

A. Johann Friederich Zimmermann b. 28 October, 1779, Altenheim; died 12 March, 1841. He married Eva Mild on 20 May, 1811; she died, still a widow, 24 March, 1845.

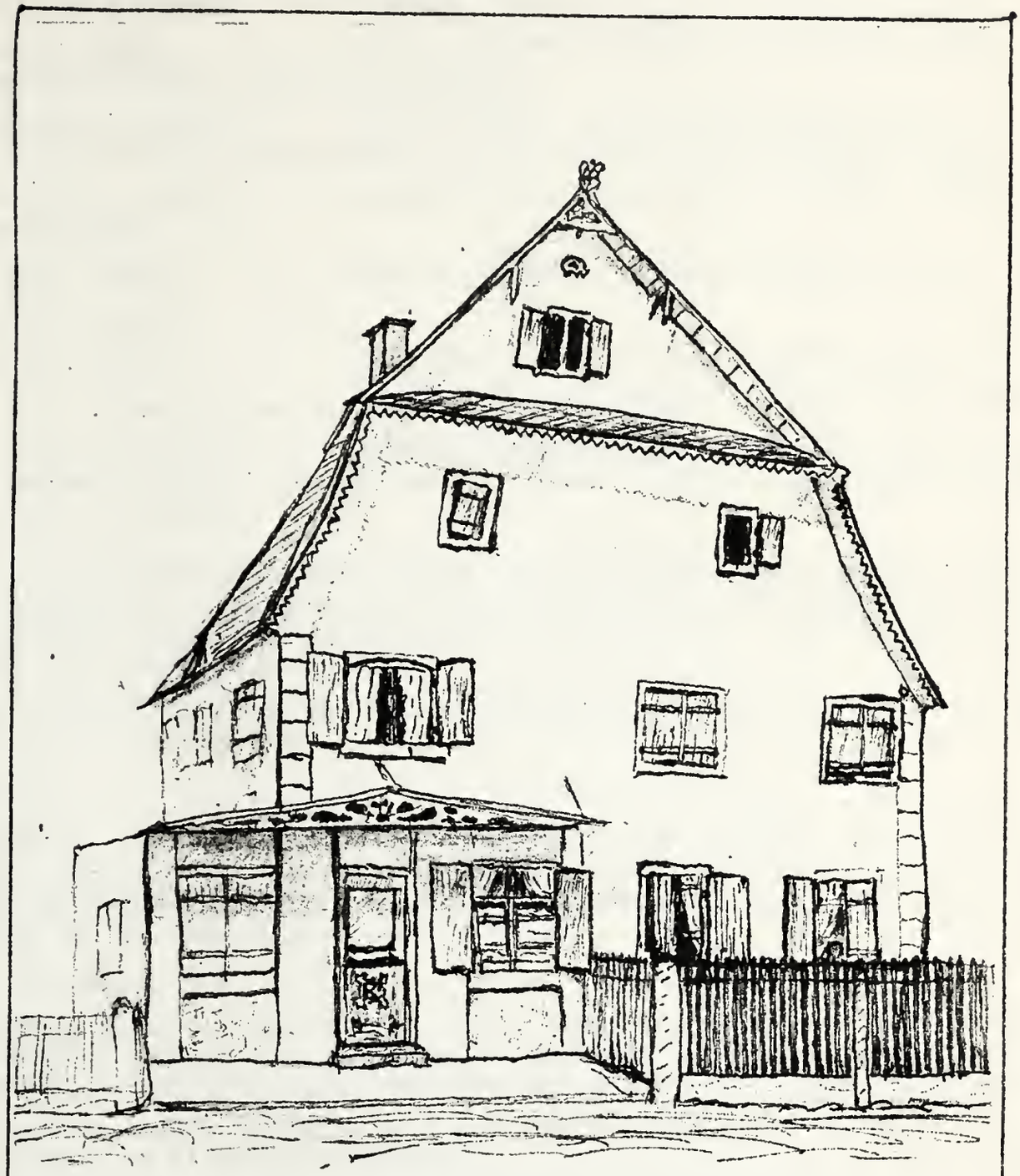
B. Christian Ludwig Zimmermann b. 6 April, 1781; died April 12th.

C. Sophia Magdalena Zimmermann b. 4 March, 1782. On 30 April, 1810, she married the 25-year-old ropemaker, Johann Jacob Burwell, who was son of a teacher of the Italian language, at Lahr.

D. Christian Ludwig Zimmermann born 13 August, 1784; died as a single youth 1 January, 1805.

E. Maria Catharina Zimmermann born 25 February, 1787; remained single.

F. Elizabetha Zimmermann born 10 April, 1789; died at Lahr, December 11, 1857. She married at Lahr, 23 August, 1815, the joiner Conrad Kraft, widower.



Home of Johann Friedrich Zimmermann and Johanna Juliana Muller

A 12 Johann (Hanns) Michael Anselm was born in Altenheim 2 June, 1729, and died there 22 December, 1792.

A 13 Katherina Durr was born, married, and died in Altenheim. Lived 24 June, 1744 - 8 November, 1795. Her marriage to Anselm was on November 14, 1763.

Children:

A. Hanns Michel Anselm born 11 April, 1764; died 16 August, 1766.

B. Chaterina Anselm born 23 July, 1765; died 4 August, 1766.

C. Catherina Anselm born 24 August, 1767; died 4 July, 1768.

D. Maria Anselm born 10 November, 1768; died 10 Mar., 1842.
Married 27 Sept., 1802, Conrad Wurth.

E. Catherina Anselm born 4 March, 1770; died 25 May, 1838.
Married 29 Jan., 1809, Michael Schaller, who died 4 February, 1865.

F. Magdalena Anselm born 30 July, 1771; died 25 February, 1827.
Not married.

G. Ursula Anselm born 4 December, 1772; died single 1 Apr., 1833.

H. Michael Anselm A 6

I. Jacob Anselm born 21 July, 1775; died single 3 May, 1804.

J. Maria Ursula Eva Anselm born 25 January, 1778; d. single 14 Jan., 1845.

K. Barbara Anselm born 24 October, 1780. She last appears in Altenheim records when she was confirmed, in 1795. Marriage and death record not found.

A 14 Georg Reuter was born 3 August, 1748. He died there 9 August, 1786. Mentioned in the Altenheim records as "Citizen and Inhabitant of Illkirch (the Alsace) he probably married there, and it w as there that many of his elder children were born.

A 15 Catherina Gartner was born in Illkirch 17 January, 1754, and died at Altenheim 27 November, 1802.

Children:

A. Johannes Reuter born 23 February, 1777; died single, 7 April, 1819.

B. Georg Reuter born 1779 (compt.)Age shown as 57 years when he died on 28 December, 1836. Married 28 December, 1806, Anna Maria Koenig who died 28 December, 1831.

C. Catharina Reuter A 7.

D. Michael Reuter, weaver, born 5 Jan., 1782; married 30 December, 1810, Katharina Kraemer, and emigrated to America; he seems to have settled somewhere near St. Louis, Missouri, around 1849.

E. Theobald Reuter born 24 September, 1784, probably the first of the children to be born in Altenheim.

F. Anna Maria Reuter born 16 April, 1786; no further record.

A 16 David Hansel - Born 31 March, 1687. He was so weak at birth he was not expected to live, so was baptized immediately by the midwife instead of being taken to the church. He was christened 2 April, 1687. He died 6 February, and was buried 8 February, 1757. Funeral Text Psalms 89:13-14 THOU hast a mighty arm: strong is thy hand and high is thy right hand. Justice and judgement are the habitation of THY throne; mercy and truth shall go before thy face.

A 17 Catharina Boss or Boess - Born 16 February, 1695, Altenheim; died 8 September, 1749 and buried September 9th. She married at Altenheim on 20 August, 1714.

Their children:

A. Catharina Hansel - born 17 October, 1715; died single 1 January, 1760.

B. Johann Georg Hansel - born 10 June, 1717; died 11 July, 1744. He married in 1743, Ursual Fritsch.

C. David Hansel - linen weaver - born 22 March, 1720; died 25 February, 1793. Married 10 January, 1746, Ursula Koenig.

D. Jacob Hansel - A 8.

E. Barbara Hansel - born 29 April, 1725; died 14 August, 1757. Married George Rinkel in 1750.

F. Ursual Hansel - born 15 Dec., 1727; died 22 December, 1790. Married 1749 Diebold Koenig.

A 18 Andreas Phillips "The Fisherman" - born 12 November, 1693; died 17 February and buried 20 February, 1752, Altenheim.

A 19 Ursula Marx - born 22 November, 1694; died 19 October and buried 20 October, 1766. Married at Altenheim 19 January, 1718.

Their children:

A. Johannes (Hanns) Phillips - born 27 May, 1718; moved away from Altenheim before 1784. Married 25 February, 1743, Barbara Anselm.

B. Andreas Phillips - Municipal Counselor - born 14 December, 1720; died 19 March, 1782. Married 17 June, 1741, Maria Wurth.

C. Jacob Phillips - born 12 June, 1724; died 2 March, 1792. Married October 9, 1742, Catharina Anselm, who died 25 September, 1792.

D. Anna Ursula Phillips - born 15 August, 1728; died 19 Oct., 1804. She married Jacob Mild on 4 November, 1751.

E. Theobald Phillips - born 30 March, 1731; died 8 April, 1731.

F. Margaretha Phillips - A 9.

G. Barbara Phillips - born 10 May, 1735; died 23 March, 1790. Married 6 April, 1761, Johann Georg Fischer, the son of Johann Georg Fischer and wife Catharina Mild - thus a stepson of A 8, Jacob Hansel.

A 20 Michael Fischer - Titles variously shown as Senator and Chirurgus Juratus, Oberamstchirurgus, etc. (Town Councilor and Surgeon, High Official Surgeon, etc.) Lahr Parish records show he was born 2 May, 1708, and came from Bodersweier, Baden. He died at Lahr, 20 December, 1783; age shown as 75 years, 7 months, 18 days. He married twice.

A 21 Christina Zaenckel was his first wife; she was born at Lahr 6 July, 1709, and died there 26 March, 1739. She was a widow at her marriage, celebrated at Lahr on February 15, 1734.

Christina's first marriage was to Christoph Heinrich Caroli, Chirurg in Lahr, on November 13, 1728. He was the son of Solomon Caroli and wife Anna Elisabetha Ruersch, and died childless.

Children of Michael Fischer and Christina Zaenckle:-

A. Johann Michael Fischer - A 10.

B. A stillborn child, on 4 January, 1737.

C. Christina Barbara Fischer, infant, born 8 February, died 22 May, 1739.

Michael Fischer married second, on 16 November, 1739, Maria Salome Schnell, the daughter of the Chemist, Johann Phillip Reinhard Schnell of Lahr, and wife Elizabeth Hockensius. She was born 22 September, 1718, and died in Lahr on 16 November, 1796.

Children:

A. Johann Ludwid Ernst Fischer - born 22 August, 1740; no record of marriage or death.

B. Christina Barbara Fischer - born 7 December, 1742; died 18 October, 1817. Married 12 January, 1760, Friedrich Jacob Klose, who was born at Lahr and died there 26 January, 1816. He was a tradesman, son of a minister and grandson of "physician in ordinary" to the Margrave of Baden-Durlach.

C. Philip Friedrich Fischer - born 26 December, 1744; died 22 October, 1791. Marriage - 7 Jan., 1770, to Maria Elizabetha Huber who died 29 Oct., 1814. He was "Senator and Hospital Administrator." One son, Friedrich Ludwig Fischer, was minister in several Badenish Villages, and married a niece of Friderike Brion, a sweetheart of Goethe.

D. Maria Elizabetha Fischer - born 8 January, 1747; died 16 September, 1824. Married 19 Nov., 1764, the clockmaker from Wuertemberg, Joseph Hecht, who died at Lahr 20 January, 1801.

E. Maria Salome Fischer - born 18 February, 1749; death record not found. She married Johann Friedrich Link, a Lahr tradesman.

F. Johann Ludwig Christian Fischer - born 31 May, 1751.

G. Ernst Karl Fischer - born 22 January, 1754 - Tanner. Married 15 November, 1784, Catharina Salomea Fingado.

H. Johann Friedrich Fischer - born 14 January, 1756; died 3 Jan., 1757.

I. Catharina Dorothea Fischer - born 9 September, 1759.

J. Johannes Fischer - twin - born 9 September, 1759; died 12 June, 1762.

A 22 Georg Karl Muller - Minister - was born 4 November, 1691, at Lahr. He became pastor of Hohenwettersbach, near Durlach, in 1717; in Weil, near Lorrach, 1718; in Nimburg, near Freiburg, 1719. From 1726 until his death in 1769 he served Allmannsweier, near Lahr. No tombstone has been found, but the parish book shows "Anno 1769, the 25th of February expired blissful in the Lord the well venerable and well learned Master Georg Karl Muller, the faithful-diligent parson and provider for souls in this parish - - after standing before the parish in Allmannsweier 43 years with much honor." He was married four times.

Christina Clara Eysenlohr was the first wife. She was born about 1699, the child of Jacob Eysenlohr of Reutlingen, Wuertemberg, Germany by wife Margaretha Wunderlich. Eysenlohr moved to Durlach, the capital of Baden, about 1702, where he was Professor for theology and philosophy, Councillor of the Church and Superintendent; reorganizer of the Badish church-order and author of a chtechims which was used in Baden for 200 years. He founded a family of inisters including 3 sons, 5 grandsons, 9 great-grandsons, 7 great-great-grandsons all bearing the name Eysenlohr. Uncounted other ministers are either his sons-in-law or grandchildren by his daughters and granddaughters. Christina died 12 September, 1722. Children:

A. Margaretha Dorothea Muller - born 19 February, 1720, Nimburg.

B. Georg Jacob Muller - born 15 Nov., 1721, Nimburg. Died 1 December, 1796. Married (1) 3 October, 1746, Luise Dreyspring. She died in 1778 and he married (2) 2 May, 1781, Virgin Deimling. He was Vicar and II Minister in Lahr, 1744-59. In 1759 he became the minister at Dinglingen, near Lahr, serving until 1768, when he returned as First Minister in Lahr. Three sons were ministers:- Carl Ludwig Mueller, minister in Friesenham Near Lahr, and lived 1749-1818. Georg Theophil Mueller, minister in Dinglingen, 1783-1804. Christian Heinrich Mueller, 1760-1835. Served 1785-95 as rector in Lahr; 1795-1804 as minister in Hugsweier, near Lahr; 1804-1835 as minister at Lahr. He was a "Poeticus" like his grandfather Dreyspring and rhymed in public, was renowned for quick-witted epigrams. His poems were printed after his death.

Anna Regina Vierordt was the second wife, married to Muller on 22 May, 1724, at Lahr. Born 8 February, 1701 at Lahr, she died 16 September, 1737.

Her parents were Anton Christoph Vierordt and Augusta Maria Kummer. Vierordt founded one of the most important families of old Baden, including Aulic conncillors, historians, military officers, and poet, and a wealthy benefactor of Karlsrhe, who gave that chief town af Baden a health spa. Another of his descendants was the famous German film star Lil Dagovar.

Children of Georg Karl and Anna Regina Mueller:-

A. Augusta Regina - born 10 July, 1725 - Nimburg.

B. Karl Friedrick - born 22 Jan., 1727, Allmassmweier (as were all the later children of this couple.) He died at Muenzesheim, in 1803. Minister.

C. Christina Salome - born 21 March, 1728; died 8 Feb., 1729.

D. Christina - born 14 November, 1729; died 16 November, 1729.

E. Christina - born 6 December, 1730; death record not found. She was married at Lahr, 17 May, 1751, to Johann Friedrich Stoltz, Tradesman.

F. Anna Regina - born 13 February, 1733; died same date.

G. Regina Salome - born 1736; married the Reverend Isaak Gmelin, born 1714 in Badenweilerand died there 1778. He was the son of the Reverend Jeremias Gmelin, minister at Altenheim 1703-13 and Badenweiler 1713-1753, who had in all 18 children. This was a fine old family from Wuerttemberg. One of Isaak and Regina Salome Gmelin's sons was the Rev. George Jeremiah Gmelin, minister at Badenweiler until 1830. Thus the Gmelin family, grandfather, father, and son, provided 115 years of ministry in the one town.

One son, Karl Christian Gmelin (1762-1837) was a renowned naturalist at Karlsruhe, friend of Baden's famous poet Johan Peter Hebel, and assoc-

iated with great minds of the day, including Goethe. Another son, Wilhelm Friedrich Gmelin, (1760-1820) was a fine engraver on copper, conducting correspondence with Goethe and other writers and serious travelers, and illustrated some of their works; he was an art expert, advising collectors on their acquisitions.

A 23 Sophia Elisabetha Wild was the third wife, married 14 April, 1738, at Lahr. She was born 10th February, 1718, and came from Pforzheim, Ger. Of her death at Allmannsweier, her husband wrote in the Church Book:- "The 10th of March (1755) has God the Almighty me my dearest faithful marriage treasure [sweetheart] Sophia Elisabetha Wildin by a speedy and unexpected death snatched away, because in pains and labor the poor little child in the mother-body was cut to pieces. Soon afterwards she is as a martyr by the violent and unfortunate, inexperienced hand of the doctor in Lahr blissful expired in her age of 37 years one month. I write this 2 years after her death, yet still with an internal heart-pain and a trembling hand."

Children:-

A. Carolina Sophia Mueller - born 7 Dec.,1738 (all children of this family born at Allmannsweier.) Husband, Johann Heinrich Sprenger, minister. She earned a reputation for high temper. Her husband, while minister at Kippenheim, had 4 assistants and had 12 villages under his care, was known for his kind heart. But his wife felt the heavy load and once even boxed the ear of a respectable citizen's wife in her impatience. After 6 children, she died early, and the children were given a step-mother. One of the daughters was Magdalena, who married Rev. Wilhelm Friedrich Bohm, and died at 88 years. Other daughters of Sprenger (who was himself son of a Margrave's connsellor) married four other ministers, Karl Friedrich Fecht, Christian Philip Jacob Herbst, Friedrich Johann Heinrich Greiner and D. Karl Julius Holtzmann. [We do not know which of these daughters are from the first or second marriages.]

B. Adam Muller - born 13 October, 1740, and died in childhood.

C. Johanna Juliana Mueller - A 11.

D. Augusta Maria Muller - born 1744 - probably died young.

E. Johann Adam Muller - born 1747 - probably died young.

F. Johann Christian Muller - born 1748. Tradesman in Lahr. Married at Lahr 30 October, 1771, Catherina Salome Knoderer.

G. Maria Henriette Muller - born 1751

H. Charlotta Louisa - born 1754

I. The dead child at the mother's fatal delivery, 10 March, 1755.

Margaretha Dorothea Wittemann, the fourth wife, is known only by name. She was apparently living in Allmannsweier around the time of the third wife's death, and lived as late as 1768. No record of children to this marriage.

A 24 Johann (Hanns) Dietrich Ansel (Anselm) was born in Altenheim 29 May, 1700, and died there 28 June, 1781.

A 25 Anna Regina Sutter was born in Altenheim 24 February, 1698, and died there 14 February, 1762. She married on 3 January, 1721, in Altenheim.

Children: [all born at Altenheim]

A. Catharina Anselm b. 10 August, 1724; no record after confirmation 1739.

B. Ursula Anselm b. 28 Nov., 1725; died March 18, 1802. Married 20 Nov., 1752, the widower Jacob Fritsch, who died 17 August, 1769. She then mar. 15 April, 1771, Hans Fischer; he died 18 January, 1793.

C. Anna Anselm born 13 January, 1728; died 29 November, 1728.

D. Hans Michael Anselm A 12

E. Magdalena Anselm born 20 July, 1731; died 25 November, 1805. On April 21st, 1755, she married the widower Hans Huegel who died 10 July, 1780.

F. Johannes Anselm born 2 June, 1733; died 12 December, 1801. Married June 13, 1774, Barbara Hahn, who died 30 November, 1815.

G. Anna Regina Anselm b. 10 May, 1735; died single, 27 October, 1754.

H. Dorothea Anselm b. 16 May, 1738; died 17 September, 1754. Single.

I. Matthias Anselm b. 10 October, 1742; no record after his confirmation of 1756.

A 26 Jacob Durr - Born 16 March, 1705; died 12 September, 1766 (both at Altenheim. Married twice. Occupation, Bootmaker.

Barbara Reuter, his first wife, was daughter of Michael Reuter and Catharina Mild. She was born 7 September, 1704; married 13 December, 1727, and died 11 December, 1734, all at Altenheim.

Children:

A. Jacob Durr - born 26 March, 1728; died 12 February, 1734.

B. Michael Durr - born 6 January, 1731; died 28 November, 1731. Married 21 April, 1755, Anna Maria Leser, of Lahr, who died 11 August, 1808.

C. Johannes Durr - Born 7 January, 1733; died 14 Oct., 1764.

A 27 Anna Kiefer (Kieffer) was the second wife, married at Altenheim on August 29th, 1735. She was born in Altenheim 22 Dece mber, 1710, and died there 6 March, 1762.

Children:

A. Jacob Durr - born 23 July, 1736; died 16 May, 1739.

B. A stillborn son - - 7 October, 1740.

C. Catharina Durr - born 7 October, 1741; died 8 June, 1743.

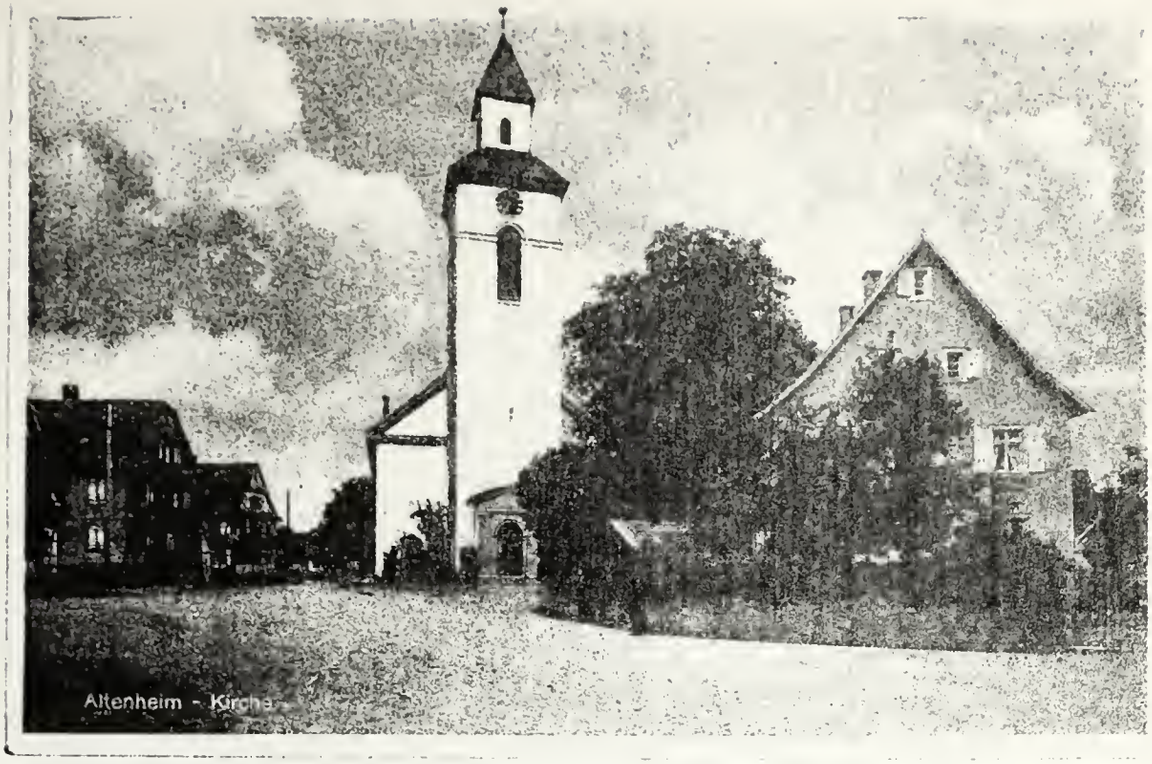
D. Jacob Durr - born 24 June, 1744; died 26 Oct., 1744

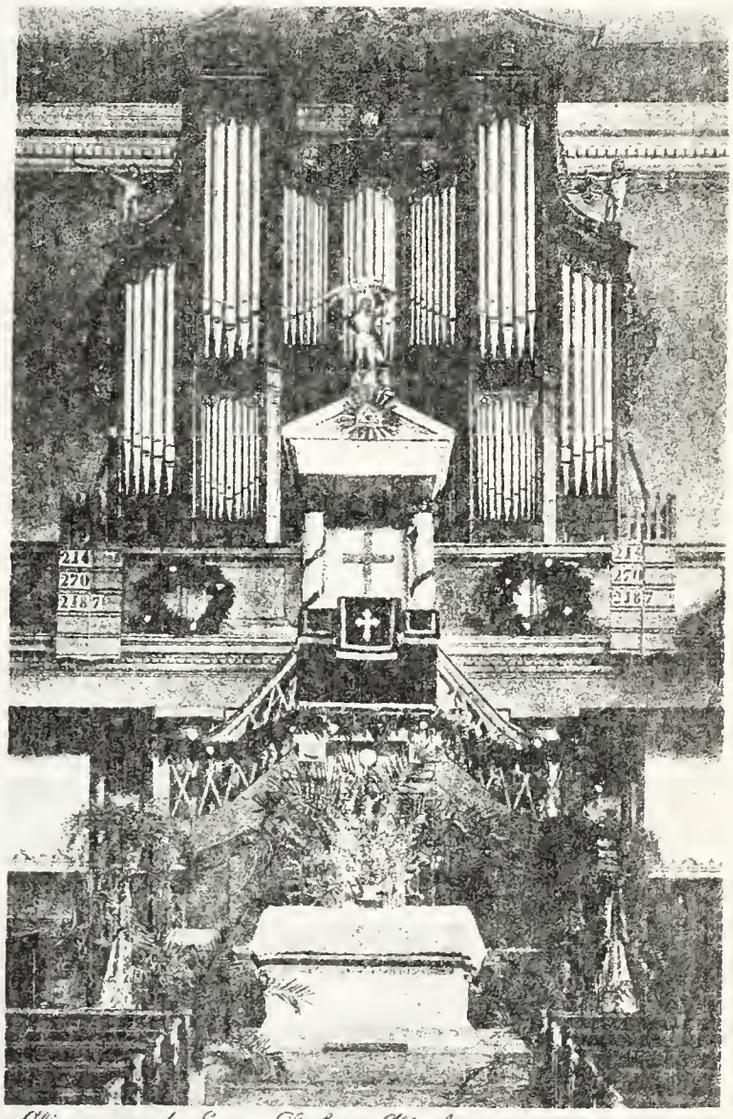
E. Catharina Durr - Twin - A 13

F. Jacob Durr - born 10 November, 1749; drowned 15 July, 1769; single.

A 28 Georg Reuter was born at Altenheim 5 November, 1773; died at Illkirch, the Alsace, and was buried there on March 19, 1773. During his last years he was "Administra tor" of the "Hunter Court" in the Rhinewood of Strasbourg, near Illkirch.

A 29 Anna Maria Lauel - born and died Altenheim, 21 January, 1726/ 1 December, 1782. Married at Altenheim, 9 January, 1747.





The Altenheim Church - Street view and interior, before the destructions of 1944-45.

Children of Georg and Anna Maria Reuter [all born Altenheim]

A. Georg Reuter - A 14

B. Anna Maria Reuter - Born 12 September, 1750; died 13 August, 1826. Married first, 13 January, 1777, Georg Rinkel, who died 19 June, 1791. Married second, 18 May, 1795, the widower Johannes Sutter, who died 26 January, 1827.

C. Michael Reuter - born 18 June, 1754; died 31 December, 1834. Married 7 February, 1785, Catharina Fabian, who died 12 December, 1842.

D. Theobald Reuter - born 21 March, 1757; died 22 November, 1796. Married Ursula Rinkel 24 January, 1785. She died 10 April, 1837.

E. Ursula Reuter - born 19 June, 1759; died 7 June, 1761.

F. Jacob Reuter - born 8 July, 1761; died 16 July, 1761.

G. Catharina Reuter - born 31 October, 1762; died _____; married 23 Jan. 1785, Jacob Wurth, who died 16 Jan., 1808.

H. Ursula Reuter - born 27 Feb., 1765; died 21 Dec., 1815. Married 23 Oct. 1786, Michael Marzluf. He died 13 June, 1838.

I. Johannes Reuter - born 27 January, 1768; died 7 February, 1830. He first marriedd Margaretha Barbara Dietrich, of Allmandsweier. She died Feb.26, 1803. He then married Katharina Schmidt, who divorced him on September 21 1813, claiming "life-dangerous threats." Date of second marriage, 2 May, 1803.

A 30 Johannes Gartner - Born 12 November, 1718, at Illkirch. His birth date is calculated from age given when he died at Altenheim on September 16, 1797.

A 31 Anna Catharina Schaerer was form Illkirch, and there married Johannes Gartner on 8 July, 1749. She was probably born about 1725-1735. Of the children of this marriage, we have the name of only:

Catharina Gartner - A 15

A 32 Hans Georg Hansel - Shipman - Born 1645; was a resident of Altenheim at the time of his first marriage, 17 May, 1686, at Altenheim. He died there 3 October, 1725.

A 33 Catharina Suttner, the first wife, was born and died in Altenheim, 1 October, 1654/19 December, 1713. Children:

A. David Hansel - A 16

B, Margreth Hansel - born 19 May, 1688; died 3 April, 1693.

C. Christina Hansel - born 17 March, 1691; died 6 January, 1764. Husband, Jacob Meyer.

D. Catharina Hansel - born 26 May, 1697; died 24 May, 1739. Married Michael Rinkel in 1720.

Magdalena Bonners, the second wife, was widow of Hanns Phillips. Born 25 February, Altenheim, and died there 18 April, 1720. No children. Marriage date:- 17 June, 1714.

A 34 Hans Boss (Boess) died at Altenheim, 3 January, 1703, "aged 40 and some years." He was not originally from Altenheim, and the only Entry relating to the Boess family in this vicinity tells of the marriage at Strasbourg, 1643, of a Catharina Boes from Noumuehl (near Kehl) to the Fisherman, Jacob Meiger or Meyer. Hans was married twice.

A 35 Barbara Meyer, first wife, was the widow of Jacob Stegman. She was born 9 September, 1655, Altenheim, and died there 24 March, 1700. Her marriage to Stegman was at Altenheim, 29 May, 1674; he died childless in 1688. She then married Hans Boess, 27 April, 1690. Children:

A. Johann Boss - born 14 October, 1691; died 18 September, 1751. He married 20 January, 1716, Margaretha Hauser, who died 1 January, 1752.

B. Catharina Boss or Bosz - A 17

Maria Veltz, the second wife, survived Hans and married in 1704 the widower David Mirsch. By her marriage to Hans Boss, 3 May, 1701, there was one child:

Georg Boesz - born 3 June, 1702; died 3 July, 1703.

A 36 Hans Phillips - Fisherman - born 6 March, 1653, Altenheim, and died there 16 April, 1724. He was married three times.

Elisabetha Kuhner, the first wife, also shows in one record as "Ringler." This marriage is not found at Altenheim, and her home place and parentage have not been learned. She was born 1647/8 and died in Altenheim, 7 October 1688. Children:

A. Hanss Phillips - born 30 Nov., 1676; died 30 Dec., 1676.

B. Elisabetha Phillips - born 15 April, 1681

C. Ursula Phillips - born 18 September, 1683; died 16 December, 1754. Married 20 September, 1709, Hanns Conrad Asmus, the son of A 98 Diebold Asmus and A 99 Anna Pauli.

D. Matthias Phillips - born 24 September, 1688; died 7 October, 1688.

E. Anna Phillips - twin - born 24 September, 1688; died 12 October, 1688.

A 37 Margaretha Marzloff was the second wife. She was born 9 September.1655 married 4 February, 1689, and died 3 May, 1718, all at Altenheim.

Children:

A. Johann Phillips - born 14 December, 1689; died 20 December, 1689.

B. Johann Georg Phillips - born 7 December, 1690; died 6 June, 1756. Married 1st, 1 July, 1715, Catharina Reuter; 2nd, 8 November, 1745, A 57, Elisabetha Bitter, the widow of A 56, Diebold Reuter.

C. Andreas Phillips - A 18

Maria Schanper of Altenheim was the third wife. A widow at her marriage, she is not further identified. No children by this marriage.

A 38 Jacob Marx was born 22 June, 1662, died 8 September, 1740. Administrator of Rhhrburg, and also "feefarmer" or administrator of Offenburg's St. Andreas Hospital at Altenheim.

A 39 Anna Pauli - born 17 February, 1664, Kehl, Baden; died 19 May, 1725, Altenheim. Mar. Altenheim 11 June, 1688. Children:

A. Anna Marx - born 28 June, 1689. [Note all the children in this family were born at Rohrburg and baptized in the Altenheim Church.] Married May 7,1714, Nicholas Marzloff, son of A 118 Nicholas Marzloff and A 119 Sabine Rieth. He died 1 Dec., 1775, aged 90 years, 8 months. A widower when marrying Anna.

B. Barbara Marx - born 5 Feb., 1692; died 8 Feb., 1732. Married 21 June, 1717, Hans Ruff.

C. Ursula Marx - A 19

D. Brigitta Marx - born 3 Feb., 1697; died 19 March, 1700.

E. Jacob Marx - Hospital Administrator - born 2 September, 1699; died 16 Mar., 1744. Married first, 25 November, 1723, Christina Wurth. She died, July 13, 1736, and he then married on 8 July, 1737, Barbara Strohsack, who survived him, dying in Altenheim 12 January, 1777.

E. Diebold Marx - born 31 Oct., 1702; died 20 Jan., 1751. Married 20 June, 1729, Catharina Reuter, who was the widow of Matern Mild.

F. Hannss Marx - Hospital Administrator - born 16 Nov., 1705; died 8 November, 1743. Wife, Barbara Tuelling, to whom he was married 12 February, 1731, survived him and married second Jacob Baer.

A 40 Johann Michael Fischer - Surgeon and Innkeeper at Bodersweier, Baden. All birth dates shown for him and his family must be computed from ages shown in the death records. Born 7 January, 1678; died at Bodersweier 2 July, 1733, when the minister wrote into the death book "Was my good and sincere friend"

A 41 Maria Jacobea, his wife, was probably born about 1682. We do not know her family name. They undoubtedly had other children than those of whom we have knowledge:

A. Michael Fischer - A 20

B. Margaretha Magdalena Fischer - born 20 February, 1723; died 14 April, 1730, as a child in Bodersweier.

A 42 Christian Zanckel - Dyer - was born about 1672 and died before November, 1724.

A 43 Anna Maria Koebelin was married in Lahr, 20 June, 1697. She died there 20 September, 1737, and from the entry we calculate her birth as August 24th, 1675. Children: [all born in Lahr]

A. Johannes Zanckel - born 20 October, 1694; died 20 May, 1738. Married February 5, 1720, Maria Magdalena Bader. He was "Miller in Lahr's Park Mill"

B. Maria Susanna Zanckel - born 9 August, 1696, was the wife of Johann Friedrich Rubin - Miller in Altenheim and later in Dinglingen. Rubin was member of an ancient family of millers; and early ancestor, in the times of the knights, helped rescue his master Count Geroldseck, sovereign of Lahr and its territory, from the castle prison of the Knight Luetzelhard. Count G. returned to burn the Castle Luetzelhard, and gave the Rubins the rights to operate all the mills in his land. Benedict Rubin built the Altenheim mill in 1695, with stones from the Geroldseck ruins at Lahr, bringing one large block of red sandstone also to become the altar of Altenheim's church. In 1944/45 French grenades attacked the mill and the owner fled to the village. In Holy Week 1945, the mill burned under attack, with no help from the neighbors in their shelters and bunkers. On Tuesday after Easter, the

Church burned also. The tall tower fell into the nave and shattered the altar.

C. Christian Zanckel - born 2 June, 1699; died 2 March, 1744. Married 1st, 20 November, 1724, Magdalena Kutz; 2nd, 21 October, 1737, Maria Margaretha Walliser, who died 26 April, 1748.

D. Anna Maria Zanckel - born 31 January, 1702; died 23 March, 1702. Married

E. Anna Maria Zanckel - born about 1703-04 - married 14 November, 1722, Johann Michael Betz, hatter, who died 21 June, 1731. She then married January 26, 1733, Johann Daniel Wickersheim, butcher and innkeeper. Many descendants still live in the Lahr area, including Herr August Wickertsheimer, who writes historical and genealogical articles for the "Lahrer Zeitung" under the pseud. "AWI". (He was about 65 in 1957.) August's elder brother Wilhelm Wickertsheimer, is "the most estimated painter of Lahr, with a fanatic love of the country of his home - the Black Forest around Lahr." He is said to have once painted inside a primitive privy upon the Gassberg the fine view before the little window.

F. Johann Michael Zanckel - Born 6 January, died 18 January, 1706.

G. Jacob Zanckel - born 17 November, 1706; died 30 November, 1777. Married April 23, 1727, Maria Salome Schneider, who died 7 June, 1774.

H. Christina Zanckel - A 21

I. Johann Friedrick Zanckel - born 24 July, 1712 - died 7 August, 1747. Mar. 8 July, 1737, Maria Phillippina Genth.

J. Anna Catharina Zanckel - born 17 November, 1715.

K. Maria Magdalena Zanckel - born 14 July, 1720.

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A 44 Georg Mueller is better described by contemporary documents and by historical writings than other progenitors in this genealogy. He was born in Frankenburg, Saxony, 18 February, 1653, and died at Lahr, September 4, 1731. When he died, the old Minister Wild wrote into the records: "May God to him be a rich rewarded for all (his) love and faith toward his fellow creatures and may bless his family." He was a tradesman and Magistrate of Lahr, and accumulated great holdings of buildings and properties. By 1700 he was the town's richest citizen.

Two examples of his power and standing:- Georg Reinhard, a woolen weaver in Lahr, died childless. In his testament he assigned to his nephew little sums of money, but left his home to his chief heir, Georg Muller and wife Dorothea "because they had done much good" for his wife and himself. The nephews protested, but after all Muller was head of the Lahr Town Council, which turned away the protesting relatives. One nephew then bought the house for 400 florins, borrowning 200 to meet the price. Another time, 1714, a house on the Sun Place, (a chief market square of the town, and adjoining Muller's two other houses —— see illustration) was placed at auction. One citizen bid 750 florins, Muller offered 751. No one daring to offer more, he got the house! Finally he owned 7 houses.

Georg Muller's house in Lahr had been for about 100 years the home of the noble house Roeder Von Diersburg, and even earlier, the lodging of the noble officers of the Duke of Nassau and lords of Lahr and the neighboring villages.

The arms of the family include the windmill. Such windmills are common in Saxony, the Mueller's original home, but there are only watermills in southwestern Germany. Georg Mueller's monument stone is illustrated on the following page. The inscription is of course in German:-

"Dies Denkmal hat zu Ehren / Ein Pilgrim weit und breit
Ein Kaufmann sander Lahren / Vor gute Handelsleat leut
Ein Christ zu Gottes Hulden / Ein Kaufmann frueh und spat
Ein Schultheiss gut vor Schulden / Ein Ratsgleid in der That
Ein um gar vill verdienter / Die er gu Leut gemacht
Ein Vater dreizen Kinder / An Enkeln vier mal acht
Die er vom ersten Bande / des Heirats had erblickt
Im dritten Ehestande / ward einst vom Tod verzuckt
Georg Muller nach dem Namen / alt siebenzig neunt-halb Jahr
von Guten Frucht und Lamen / Gott macht die Tat uns wahr"

"3 sons and 3 daughters made this monument"

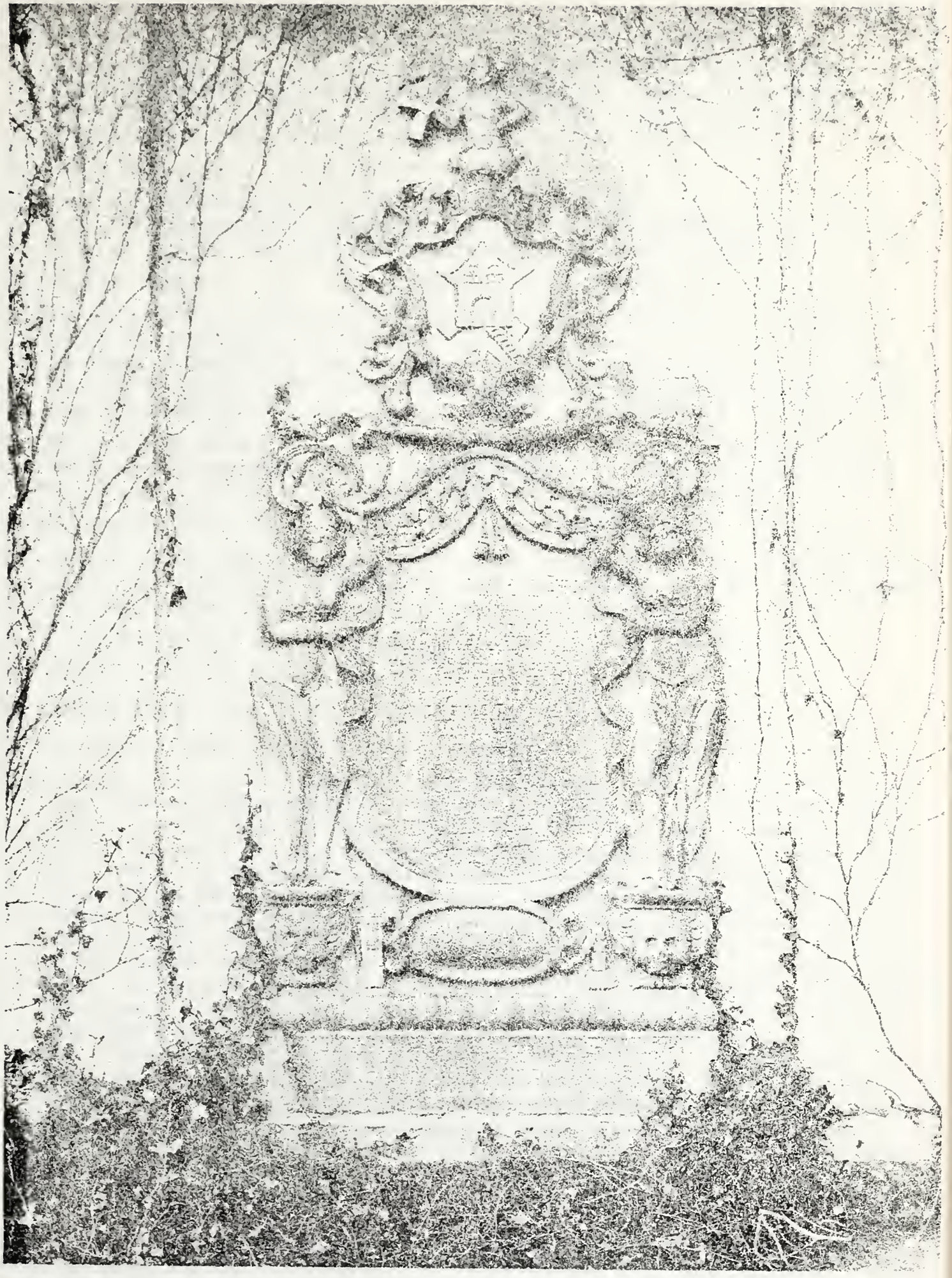
The Sun Place - Lahr

Georg Muller's chief house at far right———

Georg Muller was married 3 times:

1. Maria Dorothea Sopher - A 45 - 10 February, 1690 - Lahr
2. Sabine Dorothea Roth - 21 August, 1712, Lahr
3. Catharina Elixabetha, (maiden name not known) 22 May, 1724 - Lahr

A 45 Maria Dorothea Sopher was born 1667. She died at Lahr on March 21, 1709, "of great weakness in childbirth" 8 days after the birth of her thirteenth child, the infant Georg. It is likely that she brought to her husband a substantial part of the foundation for his later prosperity.



Georg Muller Monument - Lahr

Children of Georg and Maria Dorothea Sopher, all born in Lahr:-

A. Jacob Christoph Muller - born 29 November, 1690; died 15 March, 1756. Married 13 June, 1712, Maria Magdalena Schnitzer. He bacame Burgomaster of Lahr and had 7 children. His wife, who died 2 Oct., 1754, was the daughter of a former Burgomaster of Lahr, Michael Schnitzler.

B. Georg Karl Muller (Mueller) - A 22

C. Susanna Dorothea Muller - born 19 August, 1694; died _____. Mar. 1st. 16 January, 1713, Stephan Buehler, a resident of Strasbourg. Married 2nd, 16 August, 1723, Johann Hochstaedter, from Colman, Alsace.

D. Jacobea Muller - born 1 August, 1696. Nothing further known of her life.

E. Maria Magdalena Muller - born 9 November, 1698. Married 1st, 12 February, 1717, Christian Heinrich Marstadt, Minister at Lahr. He was the son and grandson of ministers, and his eldest son and a grandson were also ministers; he died 27 April, 1735. Maria Magdalena then married on 27 December, 1740, Conrad Friedrich Wild, the son of A 46 Adam Wild and wife A 47Jacobea Menser.

F. Maria Ursula Muller - born 19 January, 1701. Married 17 April, 1719, the Ecclesiastic Councillor Philip Ludwid Dreyspring. Their descendants have been manufacturers in Lahr, where there is a Dreyspring Street.

G. Johann Friedrich Muller - born 7 February, 1703. No further information.

H. Here we place a child of whom there is no baptism or death record; the epitaph points to thirteen children, and we have the names of only 12. Perhaps this one was born while the family was in exile during 1704.

I. Maria Jacobea Muller - born 7 August, 1705; died two days later.

J. Johannes Muller - Twin - born 4 June, 1706; died same day.

K. Johann Georg Muller - Twin - also born and died on 4 June, 1706.

L. Margaretha Salomea Muller - born 3 August, 1707; nothing further known.

M. Georg Muller - born 19 March, 1709; died 20 June, 1781. Married 18 June, 1731, Maria Elisabetha Mahler. She was the daughter of a tradesman of Lahr, from a family which gave Baden 16 ministers and namy lawyers and tradesmen in early days; died 24 December, 1800. Georg was a tradesman in Lahr. They had 3 sons, and one daughter, Margaretha Elisabetha, who married 25 August, 1756, Johann Georg Willig, another Lahr tradesman. The Willigs had, among others, a daughter Maria Elisabetha Willig who became the richest and most enviable Lady in Lahr. She married 24 March, 1784, Carl Lotzbeck, grandson of the old Altenheim minister Christian Samuel Lotzbeck from the years 1713-1757. Carl Lotzback founded the cultivation of tobacco in Middle Baden, which today forms a chief means of support of the Altenheimer families. He also fabricated snuff for use throughout Germany and for Export. As a result he was created Baron by the King of Bavaria. When Napoleon Bonaparte was in Lahr, he was entertained by our cousin and her husband. Seeing from her brilliant display of jewels and the fine, rich, Lotzbeck home that the snuff business was highly profitable, Napoleon caused a snuff maunfactory to be established in Strasbourg, taking the business away to France. The Lotzbeck Court was enlarged to include a small palace for the Willig's home; then a further house was added, which in time became the "new" town hall of Lahr.

Sabine Dorothea Roth, the second wife of Georg Muller, was born in September, 1665, at Lahr, and died 20 August, 1720 "aged 19 days less than 55 years." She had previously been married to Rudolph Wagonbeil, the deceased Town Clerk of Lahr.

Georg Muller's third wife was Catharina Elisabetha _____, twice widowed before this marriage. Her first husband was a Herr Frick, the second, Johann Friedrich Mylius, Town Clerk of Lahr. There may have been children from the marriage to Frick, but none by Mylius.

A 46 Adam Wild - Professor, Minister, and Doctor of Holy Writ. Born November 17, 1676, at Durlach, then the capital of the Margravate Durlach — Baden. He died at Lahr January 6, 1736. He was professor at Durlach, and later Parish Minister for Pforzheim, and in Lorrach (southwest Baden.) In 1719 he became Superintendent and Church Counsellor at Lahr, serving there until his death.

A 47 Johanna Jacobea Menzer - Born 8 May, 1689, in Baden; died 31 July, 1760 at Lahr, "age 71 years, 2 months, 23 days."

Children:

A. Conrad Friedrich Wild - born about 1716. Married 27 December, 1740, the widow Maria Magdalena (Muller) Marstadt. She was child E of A44 Georg Muller and A45 Maria Dorothea Sopher.

B. Sophia Elisabetha Wild - A 23

C. Juliana Catharina Wild - born 10 November, 1719, at Lahr; married 29 August 1741 Carl Sigmund Schwind, a minister, who died in 1763.

D. Ernst Gottlieb Wild - born 28 July, 1721

E. Charlotte Wilhelmine Wild - born 5 July, 1723

F. Friedrich Augustus Wild - born 31 December, 1724; died 10 September, 1728.

G. Carl Ludwig Wilhelm Wild - born 22 February, 1726; died 27 September, 1728.

A 48 Johann Dietrich Ansel was born 16 January, 1674; married 30 March, 1695; died 26 June, 1725; all at Altenheim.

A 49 Anna Asmus was born and died Altenheim, 6 Feb.,1672/24 Nov.,1737.

Children:

A. Theobald (Diebold) Ansel - born 29 July, 1695; died 23 February, 1762. Married 1st - 19 October, 1722, Ursula Marzloff; married 2nd 10 July, 1741, Barbara Ruff. Ursula's death was on 17 October, 1740.

B. Anna Ansel - born 18 January, 1697; died 11 March, 1752. Married 17 Sept. 1722, Conrad Kraemer.

C. Johann Dietrich Ansel - A 24

D. Friedrich Ansel - born 8 October, 1702; died 27 May, 1778. Married 30 May, 1730, Cleopha Schober of Dinglingen.

E. Catharina Ansel - born 19 February, 1706; died single, 30 April, 1724.

F. Salome Ansel - born 21 March, 1709; no further data.

G. Conradt Ansel - born 3 July, 1711; died 21 July, 1773. Married April 21, 1738, Ursula Fischer.

A 50 Matthias Sutter was born 1658, at Barr, in the Alsace. He was christened there on 23 November, 1658; died at Altenheim, 11 June, 1712. Married twice. Butcher and innkeeper of the "Ox". This inn remained in the family until 1912.

A 51 Anna Ursula Rausch, the first wife, was married to Matthias Sutter privately, at the Ox, on 1 August, 1687, the first day after the birth of their stillborn child. She was so feeble she was believed to be dying; yet she lived to bear 10 living children, and at last died of consumption.

Children:

A. The stillborn child, born 31 July, 1687, Altenheim.

B. Michael Sutter - born 29 June, 1688; died 27 April, 1748. Married 21 Aug., 1713, Maria Ursula Kilius, of Ottenheim. She died 9 April, 1760.

C. Catharina Sutter - born 14 October, 1689; died 17 October, 1691.

D. Jonas Sutter - born 26 August, 1691; christened in refuge, near Illkirch. No further data.

E. Matthaus Sutter - born 21 September, 1694. This and all the later children were born at Altenheim. We have no further record of his life.

F. Johannes Sutter - born 3 May, 1696; died 26 March, 1698.

G. Anna Regina Sutter - A 25

H. Anna Ursula Sutter - born 25 May, 1699; died 16 July, 1699.

I. Magdalena Sutter - born 26 October, 1700. No further data.

J. Dorothea Sutter - born 9 August, 1702; died 18 August, 1702.

K. Catharina Sutter - born 3 August, 1704; died 9 April, 1746. She married 1st, 19 March, 1722, Hans Peter Wohrer of Lahr, who died 3 July, 1728. Catharina married 2nd, 24 October, 1729, Johann Michael Frank, whitebaker of Friesenham; he died 28 April, 1782, aged 81 years.

Anna Ursula Roessler, second wife, was born 2 July, 1682, daughter of the cooper Bartholomaeus Roessler of Lahr, and his wife Susanna Clauss who died at Altenheim in 1733, aged 88 years. Anna Ursula married Sutter at Altenheim 30 April, 1708, and died there 28 April, 1748. Children:-

A. Anna Ursula Sutter - born 28 February, 1709; died 24 October, 1709.

B. Hanss Georg Sutter - born 14 Jjne, 1710; in refuge, Allmannsweier. Died 25 April, 1711.

C. Bartholomaeus Sutter - born 25 August, 1711, Altenheim. Died 4 December, 1792. Married 13 February, 1743, Ursula Schaefer, who died 8 March, 1794. He was cartwright and innkeeper of The Sun.

After the death of Matthias Sutter, Anna Ursula had an illigitimate daughter

A. Susanna Luetti

by Daniel Luetti, a previously married fugitive of Zweibrucken, the Palatinate. He had slandered his government and was under death sentence; had deserted his wife, taking with him all their money.

She then remarried twice, each time to a cartwright. (Names of other husbands not available.) Her 3rd marriage was in 1728, at 46 years of age, and her new husband only 29; she outlived him.

A 52 Johann Jacob Durr was born 14 January, 1671, at Whyl, north of the Kaiserstuhl mountains. Shoemaker. Died at Altenheim, 16 December, 1755. He was converted from the Catholic to the Evangelical religion before his first marriage. Married twice.

A 53 Brigitte Marx, first wife of Johann Jacob Durr, was born at Altenheim, 15 January, 1672 and christened 18 January, 1672. She died 24 January, 1732, at Altenheim. Married 4 June, 1705. Children:

A. Jacob Durr - A 26 [born before the marriage]

B. Ursula Durr - born 13 June, 1708; died 4 July, 1776. Married 10 October 1729, Georg Buettner, who died 18 March, 1764.

C. Diebold Durr - born 31 January and died 1 February, 1714.

D. A stillborn girl - 1 March, 1716.

Anna Margarethe Kilius, second wife, was born 26 January, 1710; died 29 July, 1762, Altenheim. She was the daughter of the barber Conrad Friedrich Kilius and wife Anna Margaretha Bucher. Children:

A. Friedrich Durr - born 27 September, 1734; death or other information not known.

B. Johannes Durr - born 1 January, 1737; died 20 September, 1747.

C. Johann Georg Durr - born 9 October, 1739; confirmed 1753, when he seems to disappear from records.

D. Theobald Durr - born 30 March, 1742; married 15 April, 1761, Ursula Fabian.

E. Conrad Durr - Bootmaker - born 25 October, 1746; died 22 July, 1833. Married 8 February, 1773, Ursula Marzloff. She is shown as aged 89½ years at her death 13 January, 1840.

F. Johannes Durr - born 16 June, 1749; disappears from records after his confirmation 1763.

A 54 Johann Goerg Kiefer (Kieffer) was born about 1680 and came from Pforzheim. He was drowned in a small canal between Altenheim and Rohrburg on 14 December, 1721.

A 55 Catharina Jund was born 15 September, 1672; died 9 May, 1739; Altenheim. Married there March 8th, 1710, to Johann Georg Kiefer, as a widow. Children:-

A. Anna Kieffer - A 27

Catharina had married first, at Altenheim, 8 April, 1695, Matern Rinkel, son of Diebold Rinkel and Catharina Jundt. He was born 19 December, 1669, and was murdered 7 August, 1705, by French marauders in a forest on the Rhine, near Altenheim. He was buried at Orlkirch. Church book entry reads:

Casus Aragicus. Matern Rinkel 36 years old, by the French shot. Kilian Lang, 44 years old, by the French miserably tortured and at last stabbed. This Matern lies buried in Orlkirch, the other but Kilian Lang is besought but some days after his death and found below on the mill pond. Immediately after his murder nobody could venture to seek him, because the French marauders still marched around."

Guardianship records, General-Country-Archive, Karlsruhe:- "The French had nailed Kilian Lang on a tree, as it were crucified, living - - "

There was a good friendship between Kilian Lang and Matern Rinkel, and both died leaving minor children; each had served as god-parent for the other's children. Long after their deaths, two of Lang's children married Rinkel's children Matern and Brigitte Rinkel.

Catharina's children by first marriage:-

A. Catharina Rinkel - born 6 March, 1696; died 24 August, 1782. Married 5 February, 1724, Conrad Furth who died 18 April, 1762.

B. Theobald Rinkel - born 15 February, 1697; died 28 September, 1697.

C. Ursula Rinkel - born 7 March, 1698; died 21 July, 1699.

D. Matern Rinkel - born 13 June, 1699; died 14 Nov., 1782. Married first, 15 January, 1725, Anna Lang (of Kilian) who died 20 January, 1744. Married 2nd - 8 June, 1744, Anna Maria Marzloff, who died 23 May 1805.

E. Ursula Rinkel - born 2 Sept., 1700; no further notice.

F. Brigitte Rinkel - born 27 December, 1701; died 3 November, 1780. Married 14 January, 1728, Diebold Lang (of Kilian) who died June 17, 1773.

G. Anna Rinkel - born 25 August, 1703; died 7 March, 1705.

H. Margaretha Rinkel - born 1 February, 1705; died 28 July, 1781. Married the weaver Andreas Boettler on 14 January, 1726. He died 24 Mar.,1762.

A 56 Diebold Reuter Born 23 October, 1693; married 22 January, 1727; died 10 January, 1741, all at Altenheim.

A 57 Elisabetha Bitter (Bitterlin) of Basle, Switzerland, was born about January, 1698. She died at Altenheim, 11 March, 1762.

Children:

A. Georg Reuter - A 28

B. Jacob Reuter - born 21 February, 1730; died 16 April, 1739.

C. Ursula Reuter - born 1 April, died 16 July, 1735.

After Diebold's death, Elisabetha married Johann Georg Phillips, on 8 Nov., 1745. He was then a widower, having first married Mrs. Catharina (Reuter) Rosenbach, who had been deserted by herfirst husband Michael Rosenbach, and who died 22 July, 1742. Phillips was child B of A 36, Hans Phillips, and A 37 Margaretha Marzloff. There were no children by this marriage.

A 58 Johann Georg Lauel was born 12 October, 1697; died 18 March, 1762; married 7 June, 1719; all at Altenheim.

A 59 Ursula Marzloff was born and died at Altehheim, 26 May, 1689/26 April,1761

Children: [all born Altenheim]

A. Georg Lauel - born 18 November, 1719; died 19 December, 1797. Single.

B. Michael Lauel - born 20 September, 1721; died 27 May, 1780. Married 18 January, 1751, Charlotte Jacobine Beck, ministers daughter from Gundelfingen, near Freiburg. She died 20 February, 1788.

C. Ursula Lauel - born 16 June, 1723; died 23 April, 1772. Married February 26, 1745, Nicolaus Adam. Adam died 21 April, 1772.

D. Anna Maria Lauel - A 29

E. Johann Jacob Lauel - born 18 July, 1733; died 3 December, 1797. Married 1st, 19 January, 1761, Anna Maria Furth. She died 27 March, 1762, and he then married on 8 November, 1762, Dorothea Schnebel, who died 11 April, 1776. He married 3rd, 19 August, 1776, Catharina Reuter, who survived him, dying April 10th, 1814.

A 60 Hans Gartner was born at Illkirch, the Alsace, 9 June, 1689. Day laborer.

A 61 Maria Kuntz or Kunitz, also of Illkirch, was probably born about 1693; married at Illkirch 23 January, 1718. We do not know if they had other children beside:

A. Johannes Gartner - A 30

A 62 Georg Schaerer - Cultivator - was probably born at Illkirch, around 1695-1700.

A 63 Anna Walter, his wife, also was a resident of Illkirch and was probably born about 1700-1705.

Child: Anna Catharina Schaerer - A 31

A 64 Hans Hansel. The family name is found as Hansel, Hannsel, Haensel, etc. He was born somewhere near 1618-1620. Burgher (citizen) of Altenheim. When the son Kilian was baptized, the old Minister wrote: "1651 the 25th of May Hanss Heinsel, the lost fellow [meaning: Catholic] and Margreth from Cronaw out of the Burnswickish land, let baptize a little son - - -" From this entry, one learns that the mother was from Cronau or Gronau, which is 30 km south of Hanover on the river Leine. But this may not mean that the husband Hanns came from the same town. [Note that in 1648 there had been a marriage of a Margareth Hensel, daughter of an Adam Hensel, married in Dundenheim, a neighboring village of Altenheim. Adam Hensel was "the deceased former citizen of Haeringen" which was a small village 9 km northeast of Saarburg, in the Saar]

We know that Hans survived his wife.

A 65 Margarethe Vollmann was probably born about 1622. She died 24 November, 1671, Altenheim. Children:

A. Hans Georg Hansel - A 32

B. Kilian Hansel - Baptized 25 May, 1651, Altenheim

C. Anna Maria Hansel - born 1661; died 20 May, 1673.

[The minister Buettner wrote in the Protestant church records: "Margarethe Vollmann, Hannss Haenssels Catholic wife. She was educated by Christian parents in Grunow but she has with her husband seceded in the troubles of war."]

A 66 David Buttner was born about 1624, and came from Berg, Nassau, Saarland. Died sometime before 1687.

A 67 Christina Schmid was born 1630/31 and died 25 November, 1699, at Altenheim. Her marriage, 25 June, 1649, was at Altenheim.

Children:

A. Ursula Buttner - born 12 March, 1650; died 1675. Married 1672 Hans Gilg. When Ursula died, her husband married 2nd, in 1676, Catharina Syfridt.

B. Christina Buttner - born 28 April, 1653; died 2 Dec., 1699. Married Hans Ruff in 1682.

C. Catharina Buttner - A 33

D. Barbara Buttner - born 21 January, 1656; died 24 February, 1729. Her husband, Hans Wurth of Dundenheim, may be the Johannes christened 17 March 1650 at Dundenheim, son of Conrad Wurth A 226 and 1st wife Barbel Hub.

E. Magdalena Buttner - born 11 April, 1658; died 19 May, 1658.

F. Margaretha Buttner - born 13 January, 1661; died 22 March, 1718. Married first to the widower Clauss Marzloff in 1683. He died in January, 1695, and she remarried, in November 1695, Hans Wurth. [Question: Was the Hans who married the older sister (D) Barbara this same man?]

G. David Buttner - born 9 September, 1666; died 23 March, 1733. Married in 1687 to Margaretha Ruff. She died 3 February, 1711, and he then married in 1713, the widow of Hans Rauch, Catharina Adam. She died 1744.

A 70 Hanns Meyer "Fisher of the Pool", one of many of the same name living as contemporaries in Altenheim; distinguishable from the others only by his occupational designator, as with his father. He was drowned 27 October, 1693, from his fishing boat while catching migratory ducks in nets.

A 71 Otthilia Kintzlin - birth and death records not found. Married at Altenheim 15 January, 1652. Children, both born at Altenheim:

A. Anna Meyer - born April, christened April 22, 1652. Died 11 Aug., 1659.

B. Barbara Meyer - A 35

A 72 Matthias Phillips was born about 1600, at Strasbourg, chief city of the Alsace, per the Altenheim death record. When the professional genealogist Arnold searched the Strasbourg records, he could not find the Matthias Phillips among the many of that name in the city. He emigrated to Altenheim in early 1643 and purchased "Citizens Rights" the same year. A member of an old and numerous fisher family of Strasbourg, he had come with his wife and children during the terrible 30 years' war. The document of his admission to the Altenheim fisher-guild is preserved at Karlsruhe. The date was 27 January, 1643; fee twelve pounds; to be paid in quarters, with one half to the guild and one half to the "most gracious government."

A 73 Anna Muller is found recorded only in her children's christening records. Children: [all except the first were born in Altenheim.]

A. Suzanna Phillips - christened at St. Wilhelm's church, Strasbourg, 18 Dec., 1642. The godparents were Jacob Kreis, butcher; Eva, wife of the basketmaker Michael Paulus; Suzanna, the single daughter of Hans Eckert, fisherman. She died 17 December, 1677. Married 27 January, 1662, the butcher Hanns Steinfelder.

B. Matthias Phillips - born April, christened 23 April, 1645; died 6 Oct., 1709. Married before 1676, Magdalena Kuehlmann.

C. Maria Phillips - twin - born May, christened 27 May, 1647. Married 6 June, 1670, Clauss Huegel.

D. Georg Phillips - twin - died 6 November, 1673. Married 20 May, 1672, Ursula Reuter, who died 9 September, 1673.

E. Margaretha Phillips - born 1650 - died 26 December, 1702. Married 15 May, 1671, Diebold Hugel.

F. Hanns Phillips - A 36

G. Barbara Phillips - Twin of Hanns - born March, christened 6 March, 1653; married before 1681, Diebold Bieckert.

A 74 Hans Marzloff was married at Altenheim 2 February, 1646. From this we calculate his birth about 1618. He was dead by 1689.

A 75 Maria Ursula Pauli was born 29 April, 1627 at Ruprechtsau, near Strasbourg. She died at Altenheim, 1 February, 1698. Children:

A. Maria Ursula Marzloff - born in Altenheim, as were all the other children in this family. Christened 26 April, 1646; died 18 May, 1720. Married Valentin Vogt, in Ruprechtsau.

B. Rachel Marzloff - born 30 January, 1648; confirmed 1663; no further record.

C. Barbara Marzloff - born 9 September, 1649; died 14 July, 1652.

D. Nicolaus Marzloff - A 118

E. Christina Marzloff - born 17 August, 1653; died 1 April, 1657.

F. Margaretha Marzloff - A 37

G. Hanss Marzloff - born 16 December, 1657; died 3 March, 1729. Married 6 September, 1694, Brigitta Kiefer.

H. Magdalena Marzloff - born 13 January, 1661 ; death record not found. Married 28 November, 1698, Michael Buchard from Ffiesenheim.

I. Anna Marzloff - born 29 March, 1663; Buried 22 June, 1665.

J. Isaac Marzloff - born 6 November, 1664; died 9 May, 1692; single.

K. Andreas Marzloff - born 2 December, 1666; died 3 March, 1729. Married 26 September,1698, Ursula Bieckert, midwife, who died 9 August, 1751.

L. Martin Marzloff - born 11 October, 1668. No other record found.

M. Paulus Marzloff - born 30 May, 1671; died 21 June, 1671.

A 76 Diebold Marx was born 1629, Altenheim, and died there 28 August, 1706. Administrator of Rohrburg.

A 77 Ursula Barbara Brehm was born 7 April, 1640, at Altenheim's Old Meadow, where the family was in refuge. She married Diebold Marx on 28 June, 1658, at Altenheim. Children: [All were probably born in Rohrburg but were christened at Altenheim]

A. Jacob Marx - A 38

B. Barbara Marx - christened 27 April, 1664; died 22 Feb., 1711. Single.

C. Ursula Marx - chr. 8 April, 1668; died 31 May, 1706. Married 29 May, 1693 Nicolaus Koenig, bootmaker, who died 28 December, 1736.

D. Diebold Marx - chr. 15 January, 1672; died 8 Dec., 1700.

E. Brigitta Marx - A 53 - was the twin of Diebold

A 78 Marcellus Pauli (also recorded as Marzolf Paul) came from Kehl, Baden.

A 79 Anna Moeschberg or Moeschberger, was also of Kehl. This couple probably had other children, but we know only of:-

A. Anna Pauli - A 39

A 84 Johannes Zangkel was born 13 January, 1614, Kippenheim, bei Lahr, Baden. Died 4 November and buried 7 November, Schiltach, Baden. He was twice married. He was a descendant with use of coat of arms, of the Crusader Knight, Godfrey of Bouillon, Duke of Lorraine, who led an army of 300,000 to the Holy Land;in 1099 they captured Jerusalem, and he was called "King of Jerusalem"

Zaenkel, or Zanckel, died while away in exile from Lahr during a French invasion, after having earned great honor and respect for his noble and religious

attributes, while serving and governing Lahr for about 50 years, under the Margraves of Baden; including 40 years as Chief Magistrate.

An iron grave cross had been erected in the cemetery at Schiltach, and the description copied into the Church books. The cross has since disappeared. Inscription: Hereunder lies and reposes the well noble firm and highesteemed Lord Herr Johannes Zanckel who was Schultheiss in the town Lahr. He was born 13 January 1614 in Kippenheim in the Domain of the Margrave of Baden. His life he has conducted most praisworthily and most gloriously , and blissfully finished at Schiltach the 4 November 1691. His age is 78 years less 2 months and 9 days. The soul reposes in the hand of the Master, who may give to the Body on the Doomsday a merry resurrection."

He first married a Salome _____, by whom there is record of the following child:

A. Salome Maria Zankel - born December 1634 or January, 1635, at Lahr. Died 21 March, 1712. Married 1687 Johann Pannifax. He was a minister at Lahr, later serving in Reotteln and at Schoptheim, in the southwestern corner of Baden; died 1737. They were ancestors of the printers T. H. Geiger and Moritz Schanenburg of Lahr - publishers of the "Lahrer Hinkende Bote (The Limping Messenger) a favorite calendar with Germans both in Germany and in the U.S., and of the students' songbook, the Lahrer Commersbuch.

A 85 Susanna Mueller was the second wife, dying 20 January, 1698, at Lahr. From the death entry, her birth is computed as 9 September, 1632. She was Johannes' wife at the time the French burned Lahr in 1677, and went with him in exile to Schiltach in the center of the Black Forest.

We know the names of only two children of this marriage:-

A. Matthias Zanckel - Woolen Weaver and Burgomaster - born perhaps about 1666; died 1 May, 1718. Married 1st, 7 November, 1687, Sybilla Margaret Mylius, the widow of Matthew Willig. He married 2nd, Susanna Zangmeister, who died 20 November, 1737. Matthias was the ancestor of the Merck family of Darmstadt, which founded the famous pharmaceutical firm.

B. Christian Zanckel - A 42

A 86 Michael Koebelin - Sacristan and Merchant of Lahr - born January, 1639; died at Lahr 9 April, 1690, "killed by a soldier's shot." Twice married.

A 87 The first wife, our ancestress, is not identified by either Christian or surname. We have the names of only two children of this marriage:-

A. Margareth - born 1664; died 27 January, 1707. Married 17 August, 1682, Johannes Dorner, innkeeper of The Limetree, at Schiltach.

B. Anna Maria Koebelin - A 43

The second wife, Anna Maria _____, was the widow of Frantz Jaeck. No children.

A 88 Jacob Mueller - Materialist (grocer) of Frankenburg, Saxony. He appeared in the Frankenburg books 1650 and 1651 as "citizen as stranger"; in 1652 and as late as 1670/71 as "fellow lodger" The church books of Frankenburg as well as most of the land records were destroyed by fire when the town burned in 1785. Two descendants who were at one time attempting (unsuccessfully) to trace this man and his genealogy were:-

(1) _____Kossmann - of Karlsruhe

(2) Dr. Phil. Hans Kessler - of Charlottenburg
"son of the Court Chaplain Kessler"

A 90 Johann Christoph Sopher was a victim of the upheavals of his local environment and of the unsettled conditions surrounding his childhood and family life. Left motherless at an early age, he and his brother and sister moved from place to place, while the father attempted to regroup the family and salvage a livlihood. The impact on his education and relationships with his family was severe; the record of the family problems brings this ancestor and many of his family to life, and provides something of a vivid picture of the era.

Born in Colmar, the Alsace, in February 1620, and christened March 1st, at the Reformed Church in Colmar, Sopher lived 75 years, 7 weeks, dying at Lahr on April 20, 1695. He had spent some time in Strasbourg, some in Ulm, in Oberkirch, and perhaps in Wasselnheim.

His father finally remarried, and there was discontent over the disposition of his mother's original inheritances and properties, and with the personality and character of the new stepmother. All of these were recorded in contemporary documents which may still be read.

Christoph married twice, 1st to a Miss Saltzmann from Strasbourg, and 2nd to Jacobea Gropper, of Lahr. In addition, he appears to have had one child before marriage; an illegitimate child was born to a woman from Austria, who came to Lahr to claim marriage; Christoph's father gave money to the mother, and she went away unwed. This probably occurred before the first marriage.

He was an apothoke or chemist, some further details of his education and apprenticeship to be found in the history of the father, A 180 Carl Friedrich Sopher.

Carl Friedrich had established the first Chemist's shop in Lahr, in 1626, coming from Colman. In 1629 he asked relief from the taxes raised for war ("he had no house or grounds of his own, and the citizens bought on credit") and he was excused upon payment of 1/4 the assessment, and promised that there would be no other chemists shop permitted there. This privilege he later defended, even against this son, Christoph.

When Chrisoph and his father-in-law, Johann Jacob Saltzmann, tried in the 1650's to establish an apotheke, they were not given a concession, but were permitted to operate only a Wuerzkram, or grocers' shop.

After Carl Friedrich died, the magistrate offered to give a concession to the widow (a late marriage) only on condition that she marry a trained chemist - - but the complaint was recorded that she was unable to read or write, and that she could not obtain a new husband because of her godless swearing and drinking, and her frivolity.

A Christoph Bauer had sometime obtained a concession, then passed away. Sometime before 1677 Christoph Sopher obtained a concession, and his suncess was sufficient to drive Bauer's son out of business and away from the town.

Until 1693, Christoph was without competition, but a Johann Martin Schnell then opened a shop, which was destroyed by French marauders the same year. This business struggled through a second destruction by the French a few years later. It went to a son, Johann Phillip Reinhard Schnell, father of Maria, 2nd wife of A 20 Michael Fisher.

Sopher continued in the business until his death in 1695.

As stated, the first wife of Johann Christoph Sopher was a Miss Saltzmann. Her parents were Johann Jacob Saltzmann and wife Judith, of the reputable Strasbourg family. We do not know if there were children by this first marriage, or whether in fact our own ancestress A 45, Maria Dorothea Sopher, may be from this line; we believe she is of the second marriage.

The Saltzmann ancestry has been traced, and is presented in the Appendix to this publication.

A 91 Jacobea Gropper died at Lahr May 1st, 1696, aged 68; thus her birth would have been about 1628; since the Lahr Church books do not commence until 1680, her birth and baptism are not of record.

We are certain of only one child of the father, and believe this child was by this second marriage:-

A. Maria Dorothea Sopher - A 45

A 92 Adam Wild, Minister, held parishes in Durlach, in Bauschloss (near Pforzheim) and in Gernsbach, (near Baden-Baden.) From 1698 until his death he was "Superintendent" in Auggen, below Freiburg. He was born 1649/50 and died in 1719. Original home and probable place of birth was Durlach.

A 93 was a Miss Stark, daughter of Nicholas.

A. Adam Wild - A 46

B. A Daughter, born about 1678, of Durlach, Karlsruhe, who married the Minister Johann Christoph Zandt (1694-1746) grandson of Johann Georg Zandt, the second husband of a daughter of Georg Balthasar Fuegner A 374.

C. A Daughter - of Durlach - who married the Minister Max Jacob Protzelius; the latter died in 1728.

A 96 Johann Dietrich Ansel - Blacksmith Master, from the Palatinate. Born perhaps about 1614-15.

Catharina Hiesch, his first wife, died 10 March, 1664, at Altenheim. Her death record shows age "about 50 years," but does not give birthplace. Children:

A. Hanss Heinrich Ansel - born December, 1647; died 21 March, 1649 "5/4 years"

B. Margaretha Ansel - christened Altenheim, 12 January, 1651. Married 30 May 1671, Carl Weik, son of the Mayor of "Bischofsheim zum Hohen Steg", Andreas Weik.

This family arrived in Altenheim between 1647/48; the first child was born elsewhere, but the father served in December, 1648 as a godfather —the first of 48 times in Altenheim. His first wife was 12 times godmother; the second wife 5 times. He disappears from the Altenheim records early in 1679, and in February 1679 his last son is baptized in Strasbourg, thus giving an approximate date to the family removal. Carl Weik replaced his father-in-law as the village smith, and appears there as late as 1683; in 1689 a new smith has taken over in the town, a stranger Martin Widmann.

A 97 Anna Maria Wolff, the second wife, was married to Ansel in October or November, 1664.

Children of Johann Dietrich Ansel and Anna Maria Wolff:-

A. Anna Catharina Ansel - born 17 Feb., 1670, Altenheim; died _____. Married at Lahr, 19 April, 1689, Hans Blohrer, "Farmer's Man, from Hugsweier, near Lahr.

B. Hanss Jacob Ansel - born 25 July, 1671; no further record.

C. Susanna Ansel - born 28 October, 1672; died 21 August, 1673.

D. Johann Dietrich Ansel - A 48

E. Hanss Friedrich Ansel - Christened at Strasbourg, 22 February, 1679. Died 27 April, 1733. Married November ___, 1704, Catharina Pauli, who died 3 December, 1725. He then married, 27 May, 1726, Christina Fabian, daughter of B 62 Christian Fabian and B 63 Barbara Hauser.

Between notes in the Church Book for October and November, 1664 is found:- (translation) "Here is the place of master H.D.Ansel, look in the citizenbook." (The citizenbook has long ago disappeared.) This apparently gives the date of a marriage, probably in some other town, of Johann Dietrich Ansel and his second wife Anna Maria Wolff. She served as a godmother for the first time in February 1666, so probably did not live as a maiden in Altenheim; Further, she seems to have had no "Wolff" relatives in Altenheim, and did not serve as a godmother at any Wolff christening. Her home is not stated in any record.

Matern Rinkel, 2nd husband of Anna Maria Wolff, had been married first to Barbara Hauser, 28 January, 1650, at Altenheim. She died before June, 1782, when a summary of recent burials was entered in the books. They raised a large family; names of the children not secured.

Matern Rinkel died 22 January, 1689 "aged about 60 years." His children by Anna Maria Wolff:

A. Anna Barbara Rinkel - born 9 February, 1683.

B. Anna Maria Rinkel - born 17 February, 1685; died 4 July, 1686.

C. Anna Maria Rinkel - born 24 February, 1688.

After Rinkel's death Anna Maria and her 2 small daughters disappear from Altenheim's records, and no doubt moved to some other town.

A 98 Diebold Asmus - Innkeeper of The Crown - was probably from Illkirch and was born est. 1640. He died at Altenheim, 15 February, 1706. Twice Married.

A 99 Anna Pauli was born 30 March, 1645, on the island Scheran, Altenheim. Died 22 February. Married Diebold as his first wife, 1 February, 1664., at Altenheim. Children:

A. Maria Salome Asmus - born at Altenheim, and christened 2 April, 1665; died 7 November, 1702. Married 23 January, 1702, Hans Huegel.

B. Catharina Asmus - born Altenheim and christened 8 December, 1667; no further record.

C. Johann Conrad Asmus - born ___February, 1670. Died 6 February, 1671.

D. Anna Asmus - A 49

E. Hanns Conrad Asmus - born 11 March, 1678; died 20 January, 1746; married 20 September, 1709, Ursula Phillips, daughter of A 36 Hans Phillips and his first wife Elizabeth Kuhner.

F. Diebold Asmus - born 27 November, 1684; died 12 March, 1693.

Eva Rauss (or Crauss) was married as his second wife, to Diebold Asmus, on 4 October, 1697. Daughter of David Rauss of Willstaedt. Children:-

A. David Asmus - born 27 June, 1698; died 4 April, 1699.

B. Maria Asmus - born 26 December, 1699

C. Eva Asmus - born 4 April, 1702; died 21 May, 1703

D. Eva Asmus - born 16 March, 1704

The Crown Inn, which Diebold Asmus operated for some years, around 1679, was one of the four buildings left standing by the French when they destroyed the town in 1775.

It was famous for its ghost - which the Capuchins in later years exorcised into a deal box placed up high under the roof beams of the inn's old barn, where it is still captive! The ghost was of a young girl who in 1664 bore a fatherless child in secret in one of the chambers of The Crown, a fine healthy girl which the mother then strangled. She was taken to Lahr prison and 9 weeks later executed by the sword.

A 100 Matthias Sutter - Baker of White Bread and Vine Dresser" - Born January 1, 1625, at Westhofen in the Alsace. (Name also shown as Suter.) Removed to Barr, in the Alsace, and raised a family there.

A 101 Catharina Fromm was fromWesthofen. Of the children of this couple, we have a record of only one:-

A. Matthias Sutter A 50

A 102 Michael Rauch - Butcher and Innkeeper; Founder of the old Altenheim Inn, "The Ox." Born 29 September, 1644, Tchenheim, Baden; died 13 July 1682, at Altenheim.

A 103 Catharina Reiter - born 1640, Tchenheim; died 31 December, 1694, Altenheim. She married 28 October, 1666, to her first husband, Michael Rauch. Children:- [all born Altenheim]

A. Catharina Rauch - bhristened 5 September, 1667; died 16 Nov., 1729. Mar. 1st., 9 March, 1685, Matern Adam who died 15 June, 1702. Married 2nd, January 22, 1703, Jacob Reuter.

B. Anna Ursula Rauch - A 51

C. Dorothea Rauch - born 4 October, 1670; died _____.

D. Magdalena Rauch - born 25 November, 1671; died 28 December, 1737. Married to Jacob Rinkel on 23 October, 1692. He died 23 January,1747.

E. Michael Rauch - born 12 July, 1676; died 6 August, 1676.

F. Johannes Rauch - born 21 June, 1681; confirmed 1695, and is not found in any later record.

After Michael Rausch died, Catharina married Martin Kraus, butcher and innkeeper at Barr; marriage was at Altenheim, on November 17, 1683.

A 104 Johannes (Hans) Durr - born 2 January, 1649, Wyhl, Breiburg, Baden. Probably dead before 1689, and certainly by 1705.

A 105 Anna Iber - from Wyhl. Her contemporaries in that town were:-

Magdalena Iber - a godmother in 1675

Jacob Iber - a godfather in 1680

Georg Iber - who married 1st, Anna Vitt - with children born between 1684 and 1688;
then married 2nd, Anna Cop, who died 19 April, 1719

Children of Johannes and Anna (Iber) Durr:

A. Johann Jacob Durr - A 52

B. Michael Durr - born 1 May, 1672, Wyhl; died 15 February, 1717. Married 13 May, 1692, Anna Maria Oeschger, of the Fricktal,Switzerland.

C. Anna Margaretha Durr - born 8 October, 1673, Mühl.

A 106 Diebold Marx - Same As A 76

A 107 Ursula Barbara Brehm - Same as A 77

A 108 Johann Georg Kiefer (Kieffer) - also known as Hans Kiefer - lived at Pforzheim, and died before 1707.

A 110 Jacob Jund - of Altenheim - born est. 1646; died before 1696.

A 111 Brigitte Lang - born Altenheim, 10 November, 1644; died there January 27, 1700. Married to Jacob Jund 5 Jnue, 1671.

A 112 Diebold Reuter - born 27 January, 1656; died 26 June, 1730, Altenheim. Married twice.

Ursula Rinkel, his first wife, was daughter of Diebold Rinkel and Catharina Jundt; born Altenheim; christened there 30 November, 1653; died there 10 May, 1685. Married 5 June, 1682. Children, both born at Altenheim—

A. Catharina Reuter - born 11 March, 1683; died 22 July, 1742. She married first, Michel Rossenbach, who deserted her; then she married, 1 July 1715, Hanss Georg Phillips, Child B of A 36 Hans Phillips and A 37 Margaretha Marzloff.

B. Hanss Reuter - born 16 June, 1684; died 2 July, 1684.

A 113 Christine Wurth was the second wife of Diebold Reuter. She was born in Dundenheim, Baden; birth date estimated as 11 September, 1664. Died at Altenheim, 1 March, 1748, after 18 years as a widow. Married 23 November, 1685. Children:

A. Christina Reuter - born 3 September, 1688; died 5 September, 1705.

B. Margaretha Reuter - born 31 July, 1691; died 16 Nov., 1760. Married to Georg Rinkel 18 January, 1717. He died 21 May, 1775.

C. Diebold Reuter - A 56

D. Brigitta Reuter - born 5 October, 1695; died 15 April, 1698.

E. Hanss Reuter - born 14 June, 1697; died 17 April, 1751. Not married.

F. Barbara Reuter - born 8 December, 1699; died 8 Feb., 1700.

G. Nicolaus Reuter - born 5 August, 1704; died 30 September, 1704.

H. Georg Reuter - born 11 February, 1707; died 19 February, 1707.

I. Jacob Reuter - born 7 November, 1708; died 17 May, 1779. Married on April 28, 1732, Ursula Kraemer. She died 23 September, 1800, "age nearly 86"

A 114 Johann Georg Bitter was from Rhinebert, near Basel, Switzerland.

A 116 Hans Georg Lauel was from Hangenbeiten, near Strasbourg. Born in the Alsace 30 December, 1662, he was one of the escapees who made their way precariously to safety in German lands when religious and political upheavals shook the western shore of the Rhine. One of the Evangelical people who were being persecuted by the Jesuits, he escaped over the Rhine in a huge tub or keg, and became "Administrator" of Rohrburg. He died at Altenheim, 9 January, 1741.

A 117 Dorothea Heckel - born 1658 in the Alsace; came with her husband to Altenheim as a protestant refugee. Died there 6 April, 1721. Her marriage was probably in the Alsace, and her first child also probably born there. Children:

A. Maria Lauel - born 2 September, 1691; died 28 May, 1758. Married Sept. 16 1709, Hanss Bieckert, who died 8 February, 1762.

B. Dorothea Lauel - Married Philipp Ludwig Fieiherr Roeder von Diersburg, who died 7 February, 1744. The young Baron fell in love with her; they eloped, but it was only after great difficulty that they were finally married by a minister in Wuertemberg. They returned to live in Rohrburg, and raised fourteen children.

C. Johann Georg Lauel - A 58

A 118 Nicholas (Claus) Marzloff - Shipman and Hempraiser - Born September 7, 1651; died 22 January, 1704; married 16 October, 1682, all at Altenheim

A 119 Sabine Rieth - Midwife - was born in January, 1658, probably at Lahr. Died at Altenheim, 10 August, 1725. She married twice. Children by first marriage:

A. Ursula Marzloff - born 25 August, 1683; died 16 September, 1688.

B. Nicolaus Marzloff - born 26 March, 1685; died 1 December, 1775. Married 1st, 23 May, 1712, Barbara Mild, who died 29 December the same year. He then married 7 May, 1714, Anna Marx.

C. Johann Jacob Marzloff - born 26 April, 1687; died 14 June, 1703.

D. Ursula Marzloff - A 59

E. Isaac Marzloff - born 10 June, 1693; died 17 July, 1693.

F. Sabine Marzloff - born 17 July, 1694; died 23 September, 1767. Married 29 July, 1720, the widower Jacob Jundt.

G. A stillborn girl, twin of Sabine.

H. Anna Marzloff - B 27

I. A stillborn boy, twin of Anna, born 14 February, 1698.

Sabine Rieth married after Nicholas' death, the Overseer Hanns Marx. There were no children of this marriage, which was the third for Hanns. He was a grandson of the old overseer B 202 Jacob Marx. Born 22 September, 1650; died 2 December, 1729. Marriage to Sabine was 23 September, 1715.

A 120 Jacob Gartner, of Illkirch, in the Alsace.

A 121 Maria Kuntz, of Illkirch

A 122 _____ Kuntz (given name not known.) Of Illkirch.

A 123 Magdalena _____.

A 132 Hans Georg Buttner - a citizen of Berg, Nassau, Saarland. Probably born at Mombronn, Ht.Rhein, the Alsace. Lived in County Luetzelstein, Saarland.

A 134 Wendlin Schmid, born 1599, died at Altenheim, where he was a fisherman, on July 18, 1676. He married twice. Our ancestress A 67, Christina Schmid, was born 1630/31 of the first wife, whose name we have not discovered. Wendlin married 2nd, during February, 1637, at Altenheim, Ursula Schneider, the widow of Bastian Erffel. There were no children of this second marriage.

A 140 Hans Meyer - bore the designation "Wiri" meaning "of the Pool" - to identify him among the various fishermen of the same name. He died at Altenheim 12 February, 1639. In addition to our ancestor A 70 Hans Meyer, he may also be the father of a Jacob Meyer, Fisherman, who married at Strasbourg, 1643, Catharina Boes, and came into Altenheim after the war troubles subsided.

A 142 Georg Kintzlin - Citizen of Altenheim. Born aroung 1595-1600; died before 1646. The information as to his wife is not to be found in the early records. Their children:-

A. Barbara Kintzlin - born perhaps 1608; died 20 February, 1664. "Aged about 56 years" at death. Married 10 May, 1647 to the widower Wolff Scherter or Schertzer, from Illkirch. He died 23 November, 1677, aged 74 years.

B. Diebold Kintzlin - born about 1621; died 13 January, 1649, "aged 27 years." Married 26 January, 1646, Ursula Kopff.

C. Otthilia Kintzlin - A 71

[There may have been others; the books for this period are not complete.]

A 148 Nicholas (Claus) Marzloff, father of A 74 Hanss Marzloff, is assumed to be the father also of all the children here listed, for there is no other man of this family name at Altenheim of that Period. Wife's name not known.

A. Nicholas Marzloff - born about 1602; died 17 December, 1635. Believed to have died single since there is no mention of a widow or of his being a widower, in the death entry.

B. Matthias Marzloff - born 1605, Altenheim. Died 5 October, 1659. Married first, 20 April, 1646, Ursula Kopf, from Kurzell. She died 2 June, 1654. Second marriage, 19 November, 1655, was to Maria Rohrwasser, from Schutterzel.

C. Maria Marzloff - born est. 1610. Died in confinement, 2 February, 1642. Parish record says she died in childbirth, but comments "Has perished with wine drinking, but was otherwise a nice, fair pius little woman." She married the widower Heinrich Jund on 21 February, 1641.

D. Paul (Paulus) Marzloff - born est. 1615. Married 23 November, 1646, Margaretha Schneider, widow of Hans Meiger.

E. Hanss Marzloff - A 74

F. Michael Marzloff - born 1620; died 6 April, 1648. Married January, 1644, to Barbara Marx, B 101, who was the daughter of A 152 Jacob Marx.

A 150 Isaac Pauli (Paul) Obermeister - was a citizen of Ruprechtsau, Alsace. Although he married twice, we do not know his first wife's name, nor whether there were any children of that marriage.

A 151 Ursula Hagenstein, second wife, was born 5 June, 1604, at Strasbourg, and christened at Strasbourg's Jung St. Peter Church. She died at Ruprechtsau, 5 September, 1641. Married at Ruprechtsau 15 May, 1625.

Children: (All born at Ruprechtsau)

A. Isaak Paul or Pauli - born 9 April, 1626; infant.

B. Maria Ursula Paul - A 75

C. Isaak Paul - born 5 October, 1628

D. Rachel Paul - born 3 October, 1630

E. Johann Paul - born 31 March, 1633

F. Valentin Paul - born 10 July, 1637

A 152 Jacob Marx - 'Spitalmeyer - Overseer of Rohrburg; born est. about 1586, probably at Altenheim. Died 4 May, 1636, Altenheim. We have no name for his wife. Their children:

A. Anstet Marx - "The oldest Brother" - Married 1st, 1643, at Illkirch, the Alsace, Margaretha Erb; married second, about 1646, to Agatha Baumann, of Altenheim, who died 14 January, 1674.

B. Jacob Marx - died 18 February, 1676; married twice. 1st wife, Barbara Schneider, died 22 November, 1638, and he then married, 8 August, 1641, Brigitta Ruoff, widow of Hans Schneider.

C. Barbara Marx - B 101

D. Martin Marx - Administrator of the Island Meadows of Altenheim; born 1626. Buried 21 May, 1665. Married 4 July, 1653, Anna Negel, who died 17 December, 1746.

E. Diebold Marx - A 76

A 154 Hans Jacob Brehm, Fisherman, was born 1602/03; another "double ancestor", through two different lines. He died at Altenheim 13 December, 1677.

A 155 Ursula Trunkenbold or Trunkenbolth - born 1606; died November 4, 1677, at Altenheim. All of their children lived at Altenheim, and were probably born there. They were:-

A. Ursula Barbara Brehm - A 77

B. Jacob Brehm - chr. 13 March, 1641. Died 30 March, 1642.

C. Michael Brehm - Fisherman - born 10 Nov., 1643; died 31 December 1683. Married 6 June, 1668, Barbara Marx.

D. Jacob Brehm - born 19 April, 1646; died 18 March, 1650.

E. Hans Martin Brehm - B 60

F. Johannes Brehm - born 20 June, 1652

A 168 Thomas Zangkel - of Kippenheim, Baden. Enrolled at Tuebingen (Wuerttemberg) University 1583 and gained his M.A. in 1588. We estimate from these dates that he was born ca. 1565. He became Landschreiber at Lahr; was ennobled by Rudolph II 19 March, 1612, for his services against the French and the Turks. Arms: Three Stars Upon A Cross-Beam. We do not have the name of his wife or of any children except our ancestor Johannes A 84.

A 180 Carl Friedrich Sopher - Left a plea in his own language, which gives a vivid picture of his personality and life. He was born at Strasbourg, and christened there in St. Thomas Church, 31 May, 1586. A chemist. It is interesting to note this occupation for his father, his mother's family, and his son and grandson were also of this profession. He died at Lahr in 1655.

Here is the document found at Karlsruhe: [translation]

Necessary defension writing of me C. F. Sopher who is ruined by the miserable present war and by other heavy circumstances dilapidated. A grieved man of 68 years - contra - Johann Christoph Sopher his age 34 years / Circulated insult-speeches against his father /

After my son Hannss Christoph at the St. Gallus day [16th October] Anno 1653 again arrived in Lahr, he did look about daily buying wine and daily wined. After some wine brought into vats, it well tested with his boon companions until midnight and longer, and not enough but swarmed into the lane inns and other drinking houses. He praised himself in the late hours for his art [profession] and exaggerating what his art is carried after a further way. As is well said: Own glory stinks. If it did rest with that I should well permit it and should have thought, because he is such an artist, who had held for it that he had learned something? For in good peacetimes I sent him to the school, and after the Battle of Noerdlinger [1634] I permitted him to be instructed privately by the old school-master Herr Schwenber in Strasbourg, according to the bill. Further I caused him to go into the boys-and-counting-school, also a beginning with the French school and to a discant-fiddler for that he could take an "Excertium Musicum" and could the better rejoice a heart. For I was unwilling to educate him to the chemists' shop. But that was not convenient to his mother and to him, but in my absence he entered to the chemist at the corn-market and remained with him about 5/4 year. In the meantime his mother is died; and when after this time his master would punish him for committed indecent things, he walked out in a frivolous manner and left his clothes that he to this date still has to fetch. Then he passed away to Colmar, defamed me at his relatives as I had done him to such a rough master, yet his relatives would not give him a shelter, but the chemist insulted me because of my stubborn son. Therefore I passed away to Colmar for fetching him === in great insecurity.[war] When I came again to Strasbourg with him the chemist did not long for him in such a manner, how this can be heard of him the Herr Chemist. Then I remained him with me until the plundering by the Croatians on the holy Whitsuntide Anno 1638. After that I traveled with him to Frankfurt and Lich in the Wetterau to my blood-relatives who bestowed to me and to him many benefits, further I promised him to a chemist in Friedburg for three years for learning his begun-chemist art. In the meantime he received some money by the Countess of Solms, at that time Mos-widow in Frankfurt, for clothes. When but 2 years were gone, he as was his custom would not remain a longer time, but troubled his master so he was obliged to let him free. The master wrote insultingly to me in Strasbourg and to my uncle Bailiff in Lick as if we had caused such obstinace, his outrageously going away. He came to Wuerzberg, but I traveled again to Frankfurt and Freidburg with my youngest son and made an arrangement with the chemist on account of this artist that he shall spare him further with derision and slander. It is to see here if I did not act as a true father and nevermore

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----and nevermore merited that he as a fellow of 34 years shall diminish me as when I had the property of his mother devoured and spent on drink with old rag-whores, what is quite untrue. For for subsistence of me and of his younger brother I was obliged to sieze what has been in my property. To that all I let him learn - in my 10 years of widowhood and exile- my youngest son the barbers-art and trade, what asked me for premium, shaving and bleeding-matters, also for clothes more than 100 pounds. Put him after the apprenticeship to Peter Neickhart in Tschenheim, that time to Benfield (Alsace) a year more who gave him a good testimony that he seized becoming his trade and well served him, who anno 1646 went away to wandering, but of date not heard an only word of him, where he established himself or hold up, wherefore I do not know if he is dead or else living. I hope I acted to him also as a father. It is not true whatChristpph cries out when he is full--I had squandered the silver plates of his mother -- as much as a man can bear, as if I was the evilist prodigal and squanderer, while I but lived miserably in this pitiful time; and because of suffered afflictions in the greatest pains of limbs and illness fell, I for that married again with the cooper's daughter of Lahr, wherefore I was not obliged to ask him or to fear him. Of this wife are existing 2 young sons who he named whore, rogue, thief and gallows-children in presence of me as the father and also in other places, likewise: such bastards shall not be heirs besides of him but if God would command over me, he will lock the chemists shop and the house and push the children out. He did say this outrageously in a citizen's house and highly sworn to do this. But the Citizen said to him that his mother-deceased in absence of me often in Durlach or in Strasburg held banquet and meals with her drink-sisters, what I will desist to write more on it. Christoph did say this not only here, but also to my old Uncle in Strassburg with 80 years he let say, he shall set him to a chief heir and shall not let inherit this whore-children / as he names them / beside himself. But the relation is not by Christoph's mother but by my mother whose brother he is. This is a frivolous piece. The Mentioned Herr Uncle gave to him a bad answer, for he had not forgotten the insult befalled by Christoph's Madamen how not less is befallen here me, his father, but I will desist it because it is here known to everyone. (This must refer to the illigitimate child. But I cannot neglect to signify that some months ago I warned him who has slandered shall take care, then he said to me in my face, Herr Country-Clerk has bidden the hand to this whore for the sake of the quarreled horse. He whould have that thunder and lightning and all hardship had killed this thief-rogues-horse. This was not all. On the holy Whitsuntide evening when I lay in the highest pains and weakness, he committed in drunk state such a blasphemy that I may not write it. He insulted my wife whore and old hag and Bestia, that I said to her she shall accuse the rogue at the magistracy. Now I must confess that I did see many drunken fellows but never such a one --- But he uses such remedies: in the morning an Aqua Vitae or sugar-soup or a pan with buttered eggs for laying a foundation for the midday-drinking. When he is hot by drinking he makes a great damage. I could accuse more against him, but I will spare it for future when it is necessary but appeal to the enclosed Specification of the manifold Afflictions. (continued on next page - -)

I will not be abused as a prodigal after my death and bear under the ground a bad name innocently. Also this braggart purloined me frivolously two Extracts belonging to the livlihood brought by his mother deceased to me (marriage portion) He thinks he can by that cast off my younger children who made to me not as much heart-grief as this drunken boastful lying Calumniant and braggart. I will not let that without accusing, but I am caused to apply it on the right place, that after my death this Calumniant is not able to do what he likes in his frivolous intention. Above written I Carl Friedrich Sopher attest that such happened really. (Date of document, 1654)

A Magistrate-person of Lahr, Goetz, sent a report to the government at Weisbaden, saying---"What a life this Johann Christoph Sopher has, shows the enclosed bill of complaint that his father gave to me with weeping eyes (the translation above) with the report that he had carried the most lickerish boxes into the whore-houses. When he perceived that his father had given a bill of complaint to the magistrate, he escaped and went to Ulm, and did not return before his father's death. He went to Strasbourg and after a considerable time again to Lahr, presuming all is forgotten. I laid over him arrest, but because it was a Saturday and he must be in Oberkirch on the Monday quite early, he begged me for a relaxation of the arrest. He promised to come again, but he did not so. To my letter he answered defiantly, he and his father were not citizens of Lahr, therefore he must not obey and not arrive in Lahr, and much less should he permit himself to be punished. Further he did nevertime live continually in Lahr, because a Whore from Austria followed him and set a child in the fathers' house, for what he still is not punished in any place but his father came to an agreement with her in his sons name and rejected her witha sum of money. About a quarter of a year ago his present wife who has here property, asked me if her husband may come to Lahr. I answered yes, he can come well and the matter can be adjusted, meaning I will receive of him a merited fine. . . ."

The above continues the picture we have of our ancestor Johann Christoph as a bad person ---- but he had his friends and defenders:- The other side of the picture develops from a letter or petition by Johann Jacob Saltzmann, father of Christoph's wife and previously unsuccessful bidder for a pharmacists' concession agains the old father - 18 November 1657- "To the Count of Nassau in Wiesbaden - sovereign of Lahr - begs - for my daughter-man Christoph Sopher - because of the chemists shop in Lahr -- Desired that there be only one shop, and that Christian Bauer should not have one in competition." "---Herr Dr. Kieffer's judgement was that it was not possible for 2 chemists shops to find support in small Lahr - - they must make each other beggars or one must give way." This Dr. Kieffer wrote to the Count of Nassau, Strasbourg, 3 Dec., 1657-- "Today the chemist of Oberkirch, your Highcountish excellency subject, has been with me, and to me highly complained that he was accused at your High Countish Excellency because of his father deceased, and also because of another fault, wherefore he is threatened with punishment. This one fault he cannot deny (again he was referring to the illegal birth of a child, which was a serious offense in those days, with even couples who received a child within 5 or 6 months of marriage receiving heavy fines and sometimes imprisonment or physical punishment. In Strasbourg, one may see a brindge from which they drowned the mothers of children

born out of wedlock.) But he assures me that the disappointments with his father were all regulated before his death and his wrong was pardoned by his father. He will bring clerical and secular witnesses who were present. Because his earthly welfare lies in this matter, he begged me to bring a submissive intercession for him, that no punishment may be put upon him. He promises to bring credible testimonies of all places where he served and lived, of his conduct. I can testify myself that every where he has been and I have knowledge of him, he held himself sincerely. In all the rest he will obey the orders of Your High Countish Excellency"

During this same period Christian Bauer the Lahr chemist, complained that "The chemists widow (Christoph's stepmother) sold remedies out of her old boxes, she could neither read nor write, she couldnot obtain a second husband as the magistrate of Lahr wished, because of her godless swearing and drinking and of her frivolity."(Bauer was Christoph's commercial enemy, but seems to have shared with him similar views regarding the "tubmaker's daughter.")

Carl Friedrich Sopher married three times.

Anna Armbruster, the first wife, came from Colmar. She was married there on 2 December, 1611, and died there 3 August, 1618. Her father was George Armbruster. Children: (all born Colmar)

A. Kunigunda Sopher - born 20 May, 1612; no further data.

B. Carl Friedrich Sopher - born 25 May, 1613.

C. Anna Christina Sopher - born 18 August, 1615.

D. Geofg Friedrich Sopher - born 21 July, 1618; died before 1625.

E. Johann Christoph Sopher - Twin - born 21 July, 1618; died by 1620.

A 181 Ottilie Dietrich was the second wife, married at Colmar 16 Nov., 1618, Reformed Church. She was born in Colmar, and christened there 9 July, 1594. She died sometime between 1634-1636, probably at Strasbourg. Her children also were all born at Colmar:

A. Johannes Christopher Sopher - A 90

B. Felicitas Sopher - born 30 June, 1621

C. Georg Friedrich Sopher - born 1 June, 1625; disappeared about 1646.

Anna Maria Eck, third wife, was born of Georg Eck, the tubmaker at Lahr. She died sometime after 1688, probably in Lahr. Children:

A. Gotthart Sopher - Tailor - born about 1648; aged 58 in 1706; died by 1730. Married (1) Barbara Seufert, who died 19 August, 1700. Mar. (2) 6 March, 1701, Lubja Kaltenbach, who died 3 December, 1713. Marr. (3) 5 July, 1717, Barbara Kopf, who survived her husband.

B. Wilhelm Friedrich Sopher - born before 1655.

A 182 Georg Gropp, or Gropper, was Burgomaster in Lahr commencing 1637. Titles shown as "Schriftschaffner" or "Administrator of Church Lands." Wife's name not learned. He left two daughters, who inherited a piece of land with two houses; they were burned in 1677.

A. Jacobea Gropper - A 91

B. Salome Gropper - married Hans Jacob Niefer or Nieferlin, baker of Lahr.

A 186 Nicholas Starck - Parish Minister in Mullheim, near Frieburg, and 1661-1690, at Eichstetten on the mountain Kaiserstuhl. Born at Neukirch, Voightland (Saxony) 1624.

A 187 Miss _____Fuegner, was from Strasbourg; died 1714. She married after Nicholas Starck's death, the minister and widower, Johann Georg Zandt, who was one of a family of 11 ministers. We do not have the names of any of her children, except A 93, the Fraulein Starck who married the Minister Wild.

A 196 Diebold Asmus Overseer of the "Goose Farm" between Altenheim and Strasbourg. Born 1603, at Illkirch; died 10 December, 1668, at Altehheim, to which he had moved in 1649. In the death book is recorded: "In married state 40 years. Had 11 children of which 3 still live." Name also written as Asimus and Asamus.

A 197 Maria Magdalena Schwing. No details of her life known. Of their 11 children, we know only of the following:

A. Hans Conrad - probably about the eighth - born before 1640, for he was a godfather in 1660.

B. Maria Salomea Asmus - born 1645; died Altenheim 24 March, 1650, aged 4 ½ years.

C. Diebold Asmus - A 98

D. Anna Rosina Asmus - born Altenheim and christened there 9 May, 1652. Married 28 June, 1669, Hans Imber of Dundenheim.

A 198 Matthias Pauli or Paul - Mayors substitute in Altehheim, 1642; Mayor 1643-1652. Died sometime between 1671-1681. He married first, Barbara Raem, who died at Altenheim 20 September, 1638. One child,

A. Catharina Pauli - born 1625; died aged 67 - January 11, 1692. Married 6 May, 1650, Matern Adam, who drowned 30 June, 1669. She then married 6 June, 1670, Andreas Boedler, from Radstadt, Salzburg. Boedler died at Altenheim, 27 March, 1711.

A 199 Catharina Ruoff, second wife, was married 3 May, 1640, Altenheim. ("Married on the refuge island.")

A. Michel Pauli - born 1641; chirstened 28 March, 1641. Born at the refuge, "Old Meadow". Died 18 February, 1681. Citizen of Tchenheim.

B. Brigitte Pauli - A 227 - this child and all the later ones born at Altenheim.

C. Anna Pauli - A 99

D. Christina Pauli - born 20 September, 1646; died before 1676. Married 23 January, 1671, Martin Gruninger, who died 17 July, 1711.

E. Matthias Pauli - born 10 June, 1649; married 5 February, 1672, to Barbara Rieter.

F. Conrad Pauli - born 8 July, 1652; died 22 December, 1718. Married three times:- (1) January 22, 1683 - Catharina Schneider, who died 28 November, 1689. (2) 27 July, 1690, Brigitta Rinkel - She died January 2, 1694. (3) June 2, 1694, Ursula Lang, Georg Koerckel's widow.

G. Agnes Pauli - born 14 October, 1655

A 200 Diebold Suter - Whitebr ead Baker - of Westhofen, the Alsace. We estimate from the date of his marriage, 27 April, 1618, at Westhofen, that he was probably born about 1593. He served as Parish Conusellor. Date of death not known.

A 201 Maria Maas. Children, all born at Westhofen:

A. Hans Jacob Suter - Chr. 10 Feb., 1622; no further details.

B. Jost Suter - Chr. 24 August, 1623.

C. Matheus or Matthias Suter - A 100

D. Maria Suter - Chr. 8 August, 1627.

E. Katharina Suter - Chr. 23 June, 1633.

A 202 Andreas Fromm - Vine Dresser and Parish Counsellor in Westhofen Alsace. Born about 1595-1598.

A 204 Johannes Rauch Butcher, Innkeeper, and Mayor of Tchenheim, Baden. Born at Tchenheim, he died 19 September, 1668, at Strasbourg, and was buried from St. Nicolaus Church. Of him, the Minister Johann Heinrich Buttner wrote: "He was a butcher, but a prudent, intelligent man, known in the whole land." He was married 3 times.

Otthilia Wagner, the first wife, was the daughter of Jonas Wagner. She was a godmother at Tchenheim as late as 1637, but died by 1641. Probably born about 1610. Children:

A. Hans Martin Rauch - born about 1633, probably at Strasbourg. Married Barbara Haitz, by whom he had at least one child who was baptized at Dundenheim, Baden, in 1665.

B. Jonas Rauch - birth and death information not known. Married the widow of Hartmann Vogel [innkeeper of the Crown at Altenheim] Mrs. Martha Vogel, on 21 November, 1675.

A 205 Catharina Schettel was the second wife, born 29 April, 1621, at Strasbourg, and christened at St. Nicholas Church. In that same church she married, on 29 June, 1641. She died at Tchenheim, February 26, 1647. Her children, all christened at St. Nicholas in Strasbourg:

A. Catherina Rauch - born 13 March, 1642; died 31 July, 1654.

B. Johannes Rauch - born 20 August, 1643; died 19 October, 1658.

C. Michael Rauch - A 102

D. David Rauch - born 22 February, 1646. No further data.

Ursula Wagner was the third wife, married to Johannes Rauch on 11 June, 1649, at Tchenheim. All the christenings of her children were at Tchenheim. She also was the daughter of Jonas, and sister of the first wife, Otthilia. Birth was in 1628; death date not known.

A. Anna Ursula Rauch - Chr. 17 Feb., 1650; married 1st, 1 June, 1669, Adam Wieckert, of "Durbach" at Kuerzell. After his death she married 2nd on December 3, 1669, Matthias Mertissheimer, innkeeper of the "Red Lion" at Tchenheim.

B. Johannes Joachimus Rauch - Chr. 31 March, 1651; died May, 1676. A "Citizen and Tanner" in Strasbourg, he was drowned in the Rhine, near Altenheim.

C. Magdalena Rauch - Chr. 9 May, 1652; died 8 January, 1660.

D. Jacob Rauch - Chr. 10 March, 1655.

E. Anna Catharina Rauch - Chr. 3 June, 1657; died 14 March, 1724. Married 14 April, 1684, Johann Jacob Schweickhardt, innkeeper of "The Flower" at Lahr. Anna Catharina's marriage and death were at Lahr.

F. Otthilia Rauch - Chr. 13 November, 1659. Married 27 April, 1682, Conrad Schnebel of Tchenheim.

G. Johannes Rauch - Chr. 19 May, 1662.

A 206 Claus Reiter was of Tchenheim, and was born about 1600-1610.

A 207 Catharina _____, the wife of Claus Reiter, was born at Tchenheim 1613, and was there buried 28 October, 1665. The church book says: She a year ago also deathly sick lay down, but her daughter so anxiously prayed God would let her live one more year, which has also proved right at 2 days."

A 208 Michael Durr (or Duerr) came from Wyhl, in the north of the Kaiserstuhl Mountains. His death record has not been found, nor that of his birth, which we estimate to be about 1616-20.

A 209 Barbara Kungel. We have no details of her life, nor do we have a list of children. For reference, here is a summary of the Durr families living at Whyl contemporary with A 104, Johannes Durr, known child of Michael and Barbara Kungel Durr:

Barbara Duerr - married Blasius Feringer; a child bapt. 1650.

Romanus Duerr - Godfather in 1650

Hans Duerr - married Elizabeth Rhents (or Khlentz)
children: Johannes - born 2 Feb., 1666
Jacobus - born 3 May, 1680

Adam Duerr - married Maria Hirtz - a child Blasius b. 1680

Matthis Dirr md. Maria Ziler or Ziser - child b. 1680

Agathe Dirr md. Johann Georg Veit - child 1680

Johann Caspar Dirr - Godfather 1686 -
md. 1st. Maria Huber or Houber - child b. 1695
md. 2nd 12 July, 1700 Barbara Brender

Hans Duerr - b. 2 Feb. 1666 (above son of Hans) marr. Maria Brender (1690-1702) (Berner, Bremder, Brenner, Prener) 6 children.

Simon Duerr - married 28 April, 1692 - Maria Boesch, who died 2 May, 1702. He then md. 2nd Anna Maria Lander, with a child b. 1704.

A 222 Joseph Lang lived at Altenheim by 17 January, 1642, the date of his marriage. We estimate his birth as 1617, and know that he was dead by 1671.

A 223 Catharina Margaretha Metzger was probably born about 1623-25. All the children of this couple were christened at Altenheim.

A. Anna Lang - Chr. 12 November, 1642; died by 1649.

B. Brigitte Lang - A 111

C. Joseph Lang - Chr. 27 June, 1647; married 6 March, 1671, Barbara Reiter.

D. Anna Lang - Chr. 7 Oct. 1649; died 3 Sept.,1704. Married 16 October 1671, Johann Conrad Fritsch, who died 27 July, 1705.

E. Martin Lang - Chr. 19 Dec., 1652; died 29 Jan., 1683. Married 15th April, 1678, Salome Reiter.

F. Hanss Lang - Chr. 24 Jan., 1656; died 16 August, 1656.

G. Catharina Lang - Chr. 30 August, 1657; died 16 Nov., 1694; married June 29, 1683, Phillips Kilian, hunter and gamekeeper, who died 27th January, 1726.

H. Jacob Lang - Chr. 1 January, 1661; died 20 July, 1661.

A 224 Hans Reuter was probably born about 1617, and lived at Altenheim at the date of his marriage 6 July, 1646, to his first wife. He died at Altenheim 23 November, 1691.

A 225 Margaretha Metzger,=the first wife, was born about 1620-21, and died before 1679. She had previously been married to Hans Mirsch, at Altenheim, 19 May, 1634. He died 1 January, 1646. Names of any children by her first marriage have not been learned.

Children of Margaretha Metzger by her second husband: [all at Altenheim]

A. Barbara Reuter - Chr. 18 April, 1647; died 29 February, 1684. Marr. 1 Nov., 1679, Conrad Schneider, who died 14 March, 1693.

B. Conrad Reuter - Chr. 5 Nov., 1648.

C. Nicolaus Reuter - Chr. 12 Jan., 1651; died 27 Aug., 1677.

D. Margaretha Reuter - Chr. 19 June, 1653

E. Diebold Reuter - A 112

Elisabetha Setzger, widow of Martin Mirsch, was married as a third wife to Hans Reuter on 1 September, 1679, Altenheim. She died there 23 November, 1691. No Children.

A 226 Conrad Wurth "Ministers Administrator" of Dundenheim. Born abt. 1616-20. Died at Dundenheim 16 Dec., 1672. Married twice.

Barbel Hub, the first wife, was born about 1620, and died at Dundenheim 17 May, 1661. Parents names not learned. Children: [all of Dundenheim]

A. Anna Maria Wurth - who married 11 January, 1664, Heinrich Watzel.

B. Nicolaus Wurth - Chr. 16 Oct., 1642; died 20 Sept., 1689; married 1677, Catharina Wurth.

C. Barbara Wurth - Chr. 23 Feb., 1646; married 21 April, 1673, Hans Imber.

D. Johannes Wurth - Chr. 17 March, 1650. He is probably theJohannes who married Barbara Buttner, daughter of A 66 David Buttner and A 67 Christina Schmid.

E. Anna Wurth - chr. 5 October, 1651 - infant.

F. Anna Wurth - chr. 23 Sept., 1655.

A 227 Brigitta Paul or Pauli was born 28 August, 1642, at Altenheim, and died 27 May, 1678, at Kehl. She was married to Conrad Wurth at Dundenhhim on 12 May, 1662. All of her children were born at Dundenheim.

A. Catharina Wurth - Chr. 10 May, 1663; died 7 August, 1663.

B. Christina Wurth - A 113

C. Matthias Wurth - Chr. 24 Nov., 1665.

D. Brigitta Wurth - Born 16 Dec., 1666; died at Altenheim 22 Sept. 1715 Married 14 Jan., 1695, Hans Conrad Mirsch, of Altenheim,who died 15th November, 1717.

After the death of Conrad Wurth, Brigitta (Pauli) Wurth married 2nd, Hans Hyber, Carpenter of Schutterzell. Marriage was 21 October, 1675, at Dundenheim. (Name also appears as Huber)

A 234 Johann Jacob Heckel, the protestant and anti-Jesuit minister, was probably the father of A 117, Dorothea Heckel who married Hans Georg Lauel. It is known for certain that her father was a minister, and she came from the vicinity in which he served. The Minister Heckel was from Augsburg, Bavaria. He died at Friestatt, Baden [between Baden-Baden and Kehl] 1656-87 he was parish minister in Offendorf, Nether Alsace, on or very near the Rhine. 1687-1692 - parish minister in Linx, near Kehl. 1692 until death in 1699, parish minister in Friestatt.

A 236 Hans Marzloff - Same as A 74

A 237 Maria Ursula Pauli - Same as A 75

A 238 Jacob Rieth - Burgher and Schoolmaster at Lahr. Born perhaps about 1626; known dead by 1683. His wife's name not known, nor do we have a list of his children.

A 264 Heinrich Buttner - Minister of Mombronn, County Lutzelstein, Saarland. Served at Mombronn in 1589; 1603-1615, Berg, Nassau, Saarland. The name "Buttner" translated means "tubmaker". His children included:

A. Hans Georg Buttner - A 132

B. Johann Heinrich Buttner - the minister who presided in Altenheim during its rebuilding, and whose contributions to the faith and good works of its citizens is a bright part of Altenheim's history. He died at Altenheim 1669, and a modest stone honoring his memory is cemented into the outer walls of the church, in a prominent place. He had served 34 years, from 1635 until 1669. Requiescat In Pace.

A 302 Hans Hagenstein, Gardner, was christened at Jung St. Peters, Strasbourg, 28 February, 1574.

A 303 Catharina Pfister, of Eckbolsheim, Alsace, was born about 1578. She was married to Hans Hagenstein at Jung St. Peters Church, Strasbourg, 1 June, 1596. All of thier children were christened at Strasbourg's Jung St. Peter.

A. Maria Hagenstein - Chr. 5th Sunday after Trinity, 1597; no further information.

B. Catharina Hagenstein - chr. 25 March, 1599.

C. Anna Hagenstein - chr. 7 June, 1601

D. Ursula Hagenstein - A 151

E. Hans Hagenstein - chr. 24 Nov., 1607.

A 304 Anstet Marx lived at Rohrburg, and was probably born there, for his parents were officials in the town. He was invested 1606 with the "Hospital Manor" of Offenburg, - the refuge farm on the Rhine, at Rohrburg; death was some time after this date. He probably had other children beside our A 152 Jacob Marx, but we do not have their names.

A 310 Trunkenbold or Trunkenbolth - we do not know the name of our ancestor on this line. An Altenheim resident signed a petition in 1608, "Alexander Trunkenbolth" Perhaps this was the father of our Ursula, A 155.

A 336 The names of the parents of our Ancestor Thomas Zaenkel have not been found. Thomas, A 168, had at least two brothers, both of Kippenheim. These were:

Bartholomaeus Zaenkel (Zanckel, Zaengkel) -

Nicolaus Zaenkel

Together with our Thomas, A 168, these were ennobled by the German Emperor Rudolph II for services against the Turks and against the French. They used the title "Zangkel von Kippenheimb." Arms: Three stars upon a cross beam.

A 360 Carl Friedrich Sopher - Christened 4 December, 1552, St. Thomas Church, Strasbourg, Alsace. Died 17 April, 1607, Strasbourg. Chemist.

A 361 Cordula Haerlin (Herler) was born about 1558-60, probably at Strasbourg. She married at Strassbourg's St.Thomas Church, 2 October, 1583. Records of baptisms at that church show her children:

A. Christoph Sopher - Chr. 25 Feb., 1585

B. Carl Friedrich Sopher - A 180

C. Gabriel Sopher - Chr. 18 July, 1587.

A 362 Emmanuel Dietrich was born about 1552, and was married there, at St. Thomas Church, 18 November, 1577. He died at Colmar, Alsace, 28 August, 1610. Served as Clerk of the Court in Colmar.

A 363 Margaretha Hertnagel was Christened at the New Church, Strasbourg, 20 February, 1558; died at Colmar 9 May, 1625. The children, all christened at Colmar, were:

A. Susanna Dietrich - Chr. 5 September, 1578.

B. Margaret Dietrich - Chr. 16 September, 1582.

C. Elias Dietrich - Chr. 6 December, 1584.

D. Dorothea Dietrich - Chr. 6 January, 1586.

E. Hans Peter Dietrich - Chr. 10 March, 1588.

F. Anna Maria Dietrich - Chr. 21 April, 1590.

G. Ulrich Dietrich - Chr. 24 June, 1592.

H. Otilia Dietrich - A 181

I. Ester Dietrich - Chr. 24 Aug., 1597.

J. Cleoe (Cleophe) Dietrich - Chr. 6 March, 1600.

A 374 Georg Balthasar Fuegner - Minister at Nauenweg, at Vogelbach, and at Lorrach, all in Southwest Baden, was born 6 Oct. and bapt. 8 October, 1615, at Strasbourg; christening was at St. Thomas Church. He died at Lorrach in 1667. Details of his family are gleaned from a History of the early protestant ministers of Baden, the "Badish Ministers Book." Children included:-

A. A daughter, A 187, wife of Nicholas Stark and of Johann Geo. Zandt.

B. A daughter, wife of the Rev. Johann Georg Voit, 1628-1703. Voit was from Saxony and a widower at his marriage to Miss Fuegner; 2 sons and one grandson were ministers.

C. A daughter who married the Rev. Johann Martin Bischoff, 1629-1675, of Frankfurt.

D. A son, Minister in the Court of the Durlach Regime.

Some of the children were granted nobility.

A 398 Conrad Ruoff was dead by 1646. At this period, for which there are no useful documents, there were in Altenheim these two families, perhaps brothers: Conrad Ruoff and Hanns Ruoff. Further, there were these wives, one or more of whom may have been sisters of A 199, Catharina (1) Margaretha Jundt, born Ruoff; (2) Brigitta Schneider, born Ruoff; and (3) Barbara Muehl, born Ruoff.

A 402 Jacob Maas was Cavalry officer and chief policeman of Westhofen, Alsace. Probably born about 1560-65.

A 408 Sebastien Rauch "Doctor of Both Rights [Roman and Canon Law]" was born 20 November, 1565, at Strasbourg. Probably died in 1635.

A 409 Martha Mornhinweg was married to Sebastien Rauch at Strasbourg 1597. Of their 12 children, we have the names of the following:-

A. Johann Conrad Rauch

B. Johann Christoph Rauch

C. Johann Jacob Rauch

D. Johannes Rauch - A 204

E. a son

F. a son

G. Anna Martha Rauch

H. Magdalena Rauch - born 1612, Strasbourg; died "age 22" at Tchenheim, single, on 19 April, 1634.

A 410 Marcus (or Marx) Schedler (Schettel, Schaedler) was Christened at Strasbourg, 1 December, 1588. He married twice. A butcher.

A 411 Anna Grasmann, first wife, was probably born about 1590, Strasbourg. she died late in the year 1627. All her children are recorded at Strasbourg.

A. Marcus Schedler - born 1612 - Infant.

B. Anna Maria Schedler - born 28 July, 1614; St. Nicholas Church record.

C. Marcus Schedler - born 15 January, 1616.

D. Johann Jacob Schedler - born 1 February, 1618.

E. Ursula Schelder - born 26 September, 1619.

F. Catharina Schedler - A 205

G. Cleophe Schedler - born 12 January, 1623; died before 1628.

H. Barbara Schedler - born 17 Oct., 1624.

I. Johann Christoph Schedler - born 24 December, 1626.

Salome Kamm, the second wife, was born about 1595, and was the daughter of Thomas Kamm. She had been married previously to the Strasbourg butcher, Hans Kamm. No information gathered re any children by her first marriage. She married Schedler 2 Dec., 1627, St. Nicolaus Church, Strasbourg, and had the following children, all christened at St. Nicolaus:-

A. Cleophe Schedler - chr. 12 October, 1628.

B. Hans Carl Schedler - chr. 8 December, 1629.

C. Dorothea Schedler - chr. 24 May, 1631.

D. Hans Joachim Schedler - chr. 5 July, 1632.

E. Friedrich Schedler - chr. 15 Feb., 1635; died in Weissenburg, on September 7th, 1659.

F. David Schedler - chr. 23 February, 1637.

A 444 Valentine Lang was the father of at least two children:

A. Joseph Lang - A 222

B. Hanss Lang - born 1616; lived at Altenheim; died there 1 April, 1684. Married 19 May, 1645, Anna Hosch.

A 446 Martin Metzger - Citizen of Altenheim, was probably born about 1585-90. He died Altenheim, between 1634-1642. we know of only the two following children:-

A. Margaretha Metzger - A 225

B. Catharina Margaretha Metzger - A 223

A 448 Hans Reuter Citizen of Altenheim and was town councilor. Died 25 November, 1635, at Altenheim. The minister Johann Heinrich Buttner wrote:- "Was more than 12 years in the council, more than 30 years in matrimony. Could finely write and read and had by that an edifying life, therefore Mr. M. Joachim Kolle sometime him named 'The Pious Hannss Reuter'" [Kolle was Buttner's predecessor in the Altenheim ministry.

A 449 Ursula _____, wife of Hans Reuter, died at Altenheim January 2, 1636. Age and parentage not given. Children:-

A. Ursula Reuter - married 1 September, 1634, Antonius Koelle.

B. Adolph Reuter - married 26 June, 1636, Katharina Michel. He died about 1636, and on 23 April, 1637, his widow Katharina married Hanss Huegel.

C. Hannss Reuter - A 224

D. Agnes Reuter - born about 1618 - died 29 January, 1670. Married 31 January, 1653, Andreas Meiger or Meiyer.

A 450 Martin Metzger - same as A 446.

A 452 Nicholas Wurth (Claus) came from Dundenheim, and was a "Ministers Administrator" in that town. He died there in 1625. Birth was probably about 1585-90.

A 453 Christina _____, widow of Nicholas, died 23 January, 1634; "a widow 9 years", giving us the deat year of her husband. We do not know if she had children other than A 226 Conrad Wurth.

A 454 Matthias Pauli - same as A 198

A 455 Catharina Ruoff - same as A 199

A 604 Hans Hagenstein - Gardner - was born about 1532-35, and was probably born in Strasbourg, where he married, at the New Church, on May 30th, 1559.

A 605 Ottilia Seyfridt was born est. 1538. Her children, all christened at the New Church, Strasbourg, were:

A. Anna Hagenstein - Chr. 13 October, 1560

B. Hans Hagenstein - Chr. "Judica" 1563; died before 1574.

C. Marx Hagenstein - Chr. VIII Sunday Post Trinity 1564.

D. Catharina Hagenstein - Chr. XXVI Sun. Post.Trin. 1570.

E. Johannes - A 302

F. Claus Hagenstein - Chr. Tues after Advent 1577

G. Martin Hagenstein - chr. 20 January, 1580

H. Odile (Ottilia) Hagenstein - chr. XX Sun.Post.Trin. 1583.

A 606 Hans Pfister was originally from Eckbolsheim, near Strasbourg; known dead by 1 June, 1596. Born perhaps 1545/48. We do not have the name or details of his wife, or of any children other than A 303 Catharina Pfister.

A 608 Jacob Marx was Overseer of Rohrburg. Rohrburg was on the Rhine, almost adjoining Altenheim. The "Hospital Manor" was managed by the overseer Jacob Marx, who "equally with his wife" was invested with this trusteeship in 1575. This responsibility passed down through four generations, into the hands of our Jacob (a 38) at the time Rohrburg was abandoned. The old buildings were dismantled and the timbers used for construction of new homes and buildings in Altenehim.

A 609 Barbara _____ was the wife of Jacob Marx. They probably had other children beside our A 304, Anstet Marx.

A 720 Prothasius Sopher - born about 1520, made his home at Strasbourg. He was "Kanonikat" of St. Thomas Church, resigning the post before his death, in favor of his brother Sebastian. This office was well paid, but had little ecclesiastical purpose. Probably it was a "political" type appointment, because of family influence or connections. Strasbourg had become protestant in 1523 and the Catholic positions were redistributed to reward services or sacrifices during the contentions. He died 3 Feb., 1592, Strasbourg.

A 721 Agathe Singer was from Wolfach, the Alsace. Parentage and dates of birth, marriage, and death not known, but she lived until at least 1592. We know of only the tow following children:-

A. Gotthard Sopher - married 19 April, 1584, Magdalena Rebel (Reblin) He was "Procurator" of the Cloister at Eschau.

B. Carl Friedrich - A 360

A 722 Christoph Haerlin - Date of birth estimated as ca. 1530; lived at Strasbourg.

A 723 Christina Espinger - of Schelttstatt, Alsace. After Christoph's death, she married 2nd, Michael Aendinger of Strasbourg.

A 726 Caspar Hertnagel, from Dinkelsbuehl, Bavaria, was an Iron-Trader in Strasbourg. He married Ottilia Keyser at the New Church, Strasbourg, 25 December, 1553; from this we estimate his birth at about 1528.

A 727 Ottilia Keyser had been married first to Jost Schiesheimer, of Strasbourg. We do not know if there were children of this first marriage. By Caspar Hertnagel she had at least:

A. A daughter, born 1555, who married Peter Bittelbronn, Town Clerk of Strasbourg in 1577.

B. Margaretha Hertnagel - A 363

A 748 Samuel Fuegner - Linen Weaver - Christened 24 November, 1583, Old St. Peters Church, Strasbourg. Known dead by 1639. He marr. at St. Thomas Church, Strasbourg, 3 December, 1605, the widow Barbara Faes, born Buckenheim.

A 749 Barbara Buckenheim was born 1578, and was christened "20th Sunday after Trinity." She had married 1st, 18 July, 1598, at St. Thomas Church, Strasbourg, Elias Faes, Strasbourg linen weaver. There were probably children by this first marriage, but we do not have details. Children by the second marriage, all christened in Strasbourg, were:

A. Barbara Fuegner - Chr. 16 September, 1606

B. Jacobe (girl) Fuegner - Chr. 31 Oct., 1609

C. Rosine Fuegner - Chr. 10 March, 1611; married 30 July, 1639, Martinus Druebel, who died at Basel,Switzerland, 1676. Druebel was minister in Neuenweg, Britzingen, and Bitberg, all in Southwestern Baden.

D. Veronica Fuegner - Chr. 5 July, 1612.

E. Samuel Fuegner - Chr. 9 Dec., 1613; infant.

F. Georg Balthasar Fuegner - A 374

G. Samuel Fuegner - Chr. 16 March, 1617; infant.

H, Samuel Fuegner - Chr. 21 September, 1623.

A 816 Johann Rauch was made a citizen of Strasbourg, 4 September, 1572, under sponsorship of his brothers-in-law Conrad and Johann A. Armbruster. He is perhaps the son of Sebastian Rauch and wife Anna Haerlin, the daughter of A 2888 Johannes Haerlin of Strasbourg. Born ca, 1535.

A 817 Anna Armbruster. All details lacking, including list of children.

A 818 Aristarch Morhninweg - born perhaps 1540; lived at Strasbourg, where he was "Administrator of cash of all the Church Workshops in Strasbourg."

A 819 Felicitas Rantz.

A 820 Marcus Schedler came from Pforzheim, but raised his family at Strasbourg. He was born ca. 1557, and married at St. Thomas Church, Strasbourg, 5 March, 1582. A Butcher. Received Citizen's rights of Strasbourg 29 March, 1582.

A 821 Anna Blum (Bluom) was christened at St. Thomas Church, Strasbourg, 1 November, 1563. Her children, all christened at Saint Nicholas Church, Strasbourg, were:

A. Anna Schedler - chr. 7 January, 1583; died in infancy.

B. Marcus or Marx Schedler - chr.18 Feb., 1584; infant.

C. Anna Schedler - chr. 19 July, 1586.

D. Marcus or Marx Schedler - A 410

E. Catharina Schedler - Chr. 5 July, 1590; child.

F. Wilhelm Schedler - chr. 14 October, 1593.

G. Heinrich Schedler - chr. 31 August, 1595.

H. Catharina Schedler - chr. 14 Dec., 1598.

A 822 Georg Grasmann (Grossmann) was christened at New Church, Strasbourg, 22 January, 1559; married at Strasbourg's Jung St.Peter, 30 October, 1582. Citizen and Dyer in Strasbourg.

A 823 Barbara Theurer was from Wasselnheim, the Alsace [west/northwest of Strasbourg] We do not have exact dates for her life, nor a list of children.

A 1208 Hans Hagenstein was probably born about 1500-1502; lived at Strasbourg. Known dead by May, 1559. We do not have exact dates of his life, nor do we know his wife's name or names of children other than A 604, Hans Hagenstein.

A 1210 Thomas Seyfridt appears in the Citizens' Book of Strasbourg, without exact records; he was probably born about 1505/08. Gardener. Children included:

A. Ottilia Seyfridt - A 605

B. Anna Seyfridt - married July, 1562, Stoffel (Christopher) Bauer, gardener, who was admitted to Citizens' Rights Strasbourg, 30 July, 1562.

A 1440 Gervasius Sopher was born about 1490 at Alt Breisach, on the Rhine. He died at Strasbourg, 31 Dec., 1556. Tailor, later Church Administrator. Admitted to Citizens Rights of Strasbourg, 1525. It is interesting here to note that the names Gervasius and Prothasius are those of the two martyrs - - decapitated at Milan A.D. 150. In Germany, one seldom finds these names used except among the families from Alt Breisach where these two were the patron saints. This clue led Frau Kappus to believe the Sophers were from Alt Breisach, and her research led to proof this was true. Gervasius' position was with St. Thomas, one of the oldest and most respected in Strasbourg.

A 1441 Catharina Ruel was born about 1494-5 and died at Strasbourg, 4 June, 1545. Children:-

A. Prothasius Sopher - A 720 - was probably born at Alt Breisach.

B. Susanna Sopher - as well as the others shown, probably were born, and certainly lived, in Strasbourg. She married 9 September, 1561, the weaver Joseph Guckelson.

C. Gervasius Sopher - married 1. Salome Steuss or Styss, daughter of Jacob Styss, on 15 February, 1563. Married 2, on 11 May, 1568, Martha _____, widow of Abraham Fes. Married 3, on 5 Dec., 1569, Ricarda _____, widow of Wolf Neuenstein, or Neuerstein.

D. Sebastian Sopher - Tailor and Church lay official. Married April 28, 1566, Catharina Martin.

A 1444 Martin Haerlin - Town clerk in the municipal lumber or carpenter's yard, Strasbourg. Born est. ca. 1498-1500.

A 1445 _____ von Kroetzingen, was originally from Vriessen, France. She was probably of the von Kroetzingen family which assisted in the building of the Freiburg Cathedral, where the family coat of arms is displayed. She was a nun, and when the cloisters were opened, married Martin Haerlin. She had a brother who was a bishop at Basel, Switzerland, and a sister Cordula von Krotzingen, Abess in Andlau, the Alsace.

A 1496 Jerg (Georg) Fuegner or Fiehninger, Linenweaver, was from Wissenburg Am Land, Bavaria. He was born est. 1540, and in June, 1565, received Citizens rights of Strasbourg. Married at Strasbourg, Old St. Peters, in 1565, to his first wife, Magdalena Huegner.

Magdalena was widow of Martin Eberle.

Children of this first marriage:

A. Susanna Fuegner - christened 1566, Old St. Peters Church, Strasbourg.

B. Catharina Fuegner - chr. 1569. [Note: Church Records do not show day or month.]

C. Salome Fuegner - chr. 1570.

D. Maria Fuegner - chr. 1572.

[Extracts from the Strasbourg Archives: Citizenship Book: Georg Fieh-Niger from Wissenburg in the north district the linen weaver has the citizenship received by Magdalena Heiheler, formerly Martin Eberlin the linen weaver's widow and serves with the clothiers. Acted Tuesday the 19th of June in the year 1565." Marriage Book: "Georg Fuegner from Wissenburg in the north district; Magdalena Hugel, Martin Eberles deceased left widow Tuesday (illegible) 1565.]

A 1497 Jacobe Braun, second wife of Jerg Fuegner, was from Reitweiler, Alsace. She was probably born about 1555, and married 21 Feb., 1576, in Old St. Peters Church, Strasbourg. Died by 1593. Her children were all christened at Old St. Peters, Strasbourg.

A. Georg Fuegner - chr. July, 1577; infant.

B. Georg Fuegner - chr. 16 Nov., 1578.

C. Johann Fuegner - chr. 10 July, 1580.

D. Wilhelm Fuegner - chr. 16 July, 1581.

E. Samuel Fuegner - A 748

F. Elias Fuegner - chr. 26 June, 1586.

G. Jonas Fuegner - chr. 24 Sept., 1587.

The name of the third wife is unknown. Her children:

A. Sara Fuegner - chr. 28 August, 1593

B. Sabina Fuegner - chr. 7 December, 1596

A 1498 Mathias Buckenheim was married 13 August, 1576, to Agnes Reichardt. She brought him the citizens' rights of Strasbourg, from her earlier husbands. He was born est. ca. 1544, and was dead by 1583. Probably born in Strasbourg.

A 1499 Agnes Reichardt had had two earlier marriages; first, she mar. Jerg Hagel, 5 March, 1565, at Strasbourg's St. Thomas Church. Second, in 1583, she married Wolff Bautz, Linen Weaver, from Thaelheim, Wuerttemburg. We do not have names of any children by her first two marriages.

Children of Mathias Buckenheim and Agnes Reichardt:

A. Barbara Buckenheim - A 749

B. Maria Buckenheim - chr. 8 Feb., 1579.

[Probably others]

A 1634 We do not know the Christian name of our Armbruster progenitor. His children included:

A. Conrad Armbruster - Citizen of Strasbourg

B. Johann Albrecht Armbruster " "

C. Anna Armbruster - A 817

A 1642 Wilhelm Blum (Bluom) married 12 May, 1555, St. Thomas Church, Strasbourg. From this we estimate his birth as about 1530. He was a miller, in Strasbourg. Married twice.

A 1643 Anna Gutt - first wife, was from Boersch, lower Alsace. She died between 1566-1573. Children, born at Strasbourg:

A. Catharina Blum - born 1561. Married Rudolph Rab, of Nasbach, Bavaria.

B. Anna Blum - A 821

C. Ursula Blum - born 1566; no further data.

Gertrude Sevenus, the second wife, was married to Wilhelm on September 1, 1573, St. Thomas, Strasbourg. They had one child:

A. Gertrud Blum - born about 1574.

Gertrud had earlier married Leonhard Herr, add after Blum's death, she married for the third time, to Rudolph Ender, of Goerlitz, Silesia, Prussia.

A 1644 Wolf Grasmann (Grossmann) was probably born as early as 1525, and lived at Strasbourg.

A 1645 Anna Braun

A 1646 Jacob Theurer - Ropemaker; came from Wasselnheim, Alsace. Known dead before 30 October, 1582.

A 2888 Johannes Haerlin - born est. 1470-72. Lived at Strasbourg. We do not know the name of his wife. Known children were:

A. Martin Haerlin - A 1444

B. Christmann Haerlin - "Public Professor of Mathematics" in Strasbourg. Married Kunigunde Muench.

C. Anna Haerlin - Married Sebastian Rauch.

A 2890 The von Kroetzingen ancestor had at least three children, who are but imperfectly identified.

A. A daughter who was a nun, and who married Martin Haerlin. A 1445.

B. Cordula von Kroetzingen, an Abbess in Andlau, the Alsace.

C. A son, who was a bishop in Basel, Switzerland.

A 2994 Nicolaus Braun - Minister of Reitweiler, the Alsace. Born perhaps about 1523; served at Reitweiler 1553-1559. We know the names of only two children:

A. Jacobe Braun - A 1497

B. Nicolaus Braun - "wax chandler" in Strasbourg. Married January, 1581, Agnes _____, widow of Marzloff Kieffer, of Strasbourg. She was born at Marlenheim, Alsace.

A 2998 Martin Reichardt (Richards) was born est. ca. 1512, and lived at Strasbourg.

A 3284 Wilhelm Blum was born at Brettheim (perhaps Bretten, Baden), calculated date of birth about 1498. He was a miller at Strasbourg. Died at Strasbourg.

A 3286 Lienhart Gutt - Cooper in Strasbourg; born about 1500-02; from Boersch, Lower Alsace. Lived as late as 1555.

A 5776 Martin (Martinus) "aerlin - Citizen of Strasbourg; born about 1440.

A 5777 Catharina Seebolt. Children included:

A. Johannes Haerlin - A 2888

B. Martin Haerlin - born about 1474; married Barbara Kniebs. This couple had a daughter Margaretha who married Hans Baldung, the famous German painter. He died 1545 in Strasbourg, and she then married a Phillip Vinther. Hans Baldun was called "Grein." This great painter, 1584/5-1545, was shown at an impressive exhibition at Karlsruhe, 1959; a friend of Albrecht Durer.

A 6578 Wilhelm Blum - Miller at Strasbourg, received Citizens Rights 1508. Probably born about 1465, at "Brettheim" (Perhaps Bretten, Baden.)

A 11552 The Haerlin ancestor is not identified; his son Martinus had as contemporaries at Strasbourg, and very possibly relatives or brothers:- Arbogastus Haerlin - mentioned in 1485.

Claus Haerlin - mentioned in 1472.

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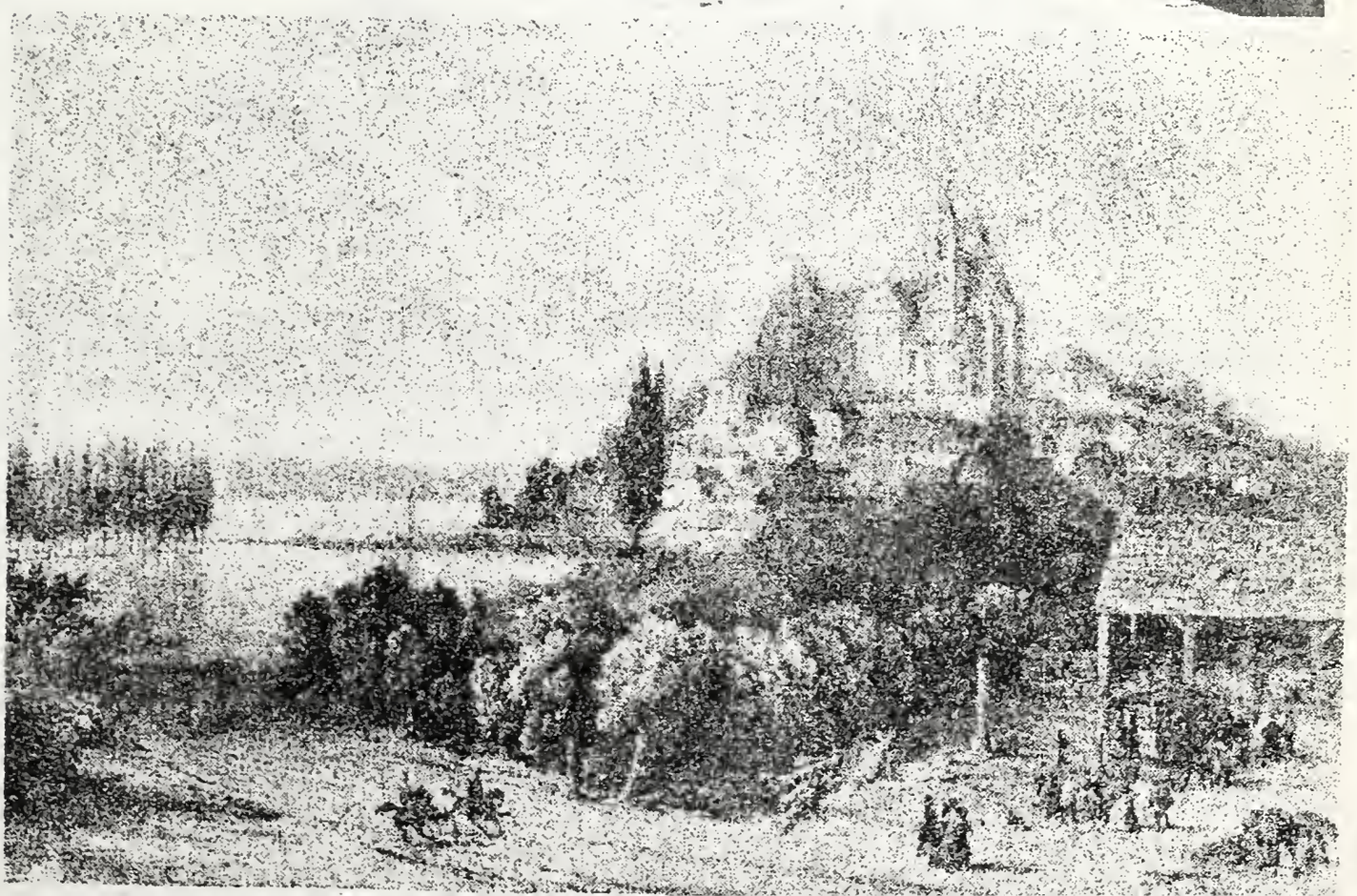
At Right - The Lahr Schriftskirch (Collegiate Church) One of the first Gothic churches in South Germany, build about 1300. The pulpit, late Gothic, about 1475, and the altar, 1536, were working places of Dr. Adam Wild and some of the Mueller Relatives. Many baptisms, marriages, and funeral services of Wilds, Muellers, Zanckels, and Fischers, came from this pulpit and church. Many of these families are buried in the surrounding churchyard.

Below, a view of Alt Breisach.



Chapter 3
Katherina's Mother -
Christina Wiener and Her Ancestry

B 1 Christina Wiener

Christina Wiener was born at Altenheim on August 31, 1825, and was christened on September 4th at the Evangelical Chapel. She was married to Johann Michael Hansel at Altenheim on January 31st, 1847. [Chap. 2]

Moving with her husband and family to the United States, she lived in the general vicinity of St. Louis until her death.

Sometime around 1900, when about 75 years old, she broke her leg and was never fully recovere; she could not leave her chair, and had to be idle except for chores and needlework which could be done without physical activity. Her relatives spoke of her high sense of understanding, and of her robust and hearty humor, which hardly left her even after her affliction.

Christina died at St. Louis, Missouri, 21 March, 1910, after a life of nearly 85 years and after being crippled over ten years. She is buried in St. Peters Cemetery, St. Louis.

B 2 Johannes Wiener was born 5th October, 1797, at Eckartsweier, near Kehl, Baden, and was christened there at the Evangelical Church on the following day, October 6th. After marriage, he moved to Altenheim, and raised his family there. His death was at Altenheim, on 26 August, 1853. He married twice.

B 3 Katherina Sengel, the first wife, was born 10 October, 1799; christened 11 October, 1799; married 13 February, 1825; died 31 December, 1832; all at Altenheim. Her children, all born Altenheim:

A. Catharina - born before the marriage, 4 May, 1823; died 28 April, 1892. Single.

B. Christina Wiener - B 1

C. Anna Maria Wiener - born 31 May, 1829; died 26 Feb., 1903. Married 13 Aug., 1854, David Koenig, weaver, who died 1 October, 1864.

Barbara Gratwohl, the second wife, was born at Altenheim; married 25 Apr. 1833; died 8 Dec., 1844; all at Altenheim. No children. Her mother was Margarete Gratwohl; father's name and mother's maiden name not known.

B 4 Englebert, of Vienna; Kaiser's Artilleryman of the III Imperial Art. Regiment. A catholic by religion. Family name not know, but his homeplace was used to create a family name for his child by Anna Barbara Urban - "Wiener" or "Viennese."

B 5 Anna Barbara Urban was never married. She was born 30 August, 1771, at Eckartsweier, amt Kehl, Baden. Christened Sept. 1st. On 8th August, 1802, she was murdered in the "Willstaetter Wald" the great forest between Eckartsweier and Offenburg, by the peasant Johannes Steidel. Steidel, who was probably executed, was known dead by 1807. She was mutilated and decapitated; the details [in the original German] may be found on page 78, in the extract from the Death Book of Eckartsweier.

She had one previous illigitimate child, details not available to me, prior to the birth of our ancestor B 2 Johannes Wiener. His birth and christening are to be found on the following page.

Anna Barbara is buried in the Evangelical churchyard at Eckartsweier.

B 6 Jakob Sengel - Master Weaver - born 8 July, 1775, and christened the same day; married 22 November, 1798; died 22 January, 1854; all at Altenheim.

B 7 Katharina Fink (Finch) was born at Altenheim on April 25, 1779, and christened the following day, 26th April. She died at Altenheim, October 10th, 1845.

Children: [all at Altenheim]

A. Catharina Sengel - B 3

B. Jacob Sengel - Born 26 November, 1804; died 6 April, 1866. Married 4 May, 1828, to Elisabeth Anselm, who died 2 July, 1866.

C. Stillborn girl, 22 January, 1812.

D. Stillborn boy, 19 June, 1814.

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Eckartsweier
bei Kehl

den 8.3.1939.

A b s c h r i f t :

aus dem Geburtsbuch der evang. Gemeinde E c k a r t s w e i e r

bei Kehl (Baden,
Deutschland)

Jahrgang: 1797 Blatt 109 Seite 219. Nummer 14.

14 Kind.
Johannes
Wiener

""" In dem Jor eintausend siebenhundert sieben und neunzig, den fünften Oktober ,früh vier Uhr ,brachte Anna Barbara Urbanin, Georg Urbans,bürgerlichen Inwohners und Taglöhners dahier,mit seiner verstorbenen Ehefrau ,Anna Maria,geborener Bössin ehelich erzeugte ledige Tochter , ein ohnehelich erzeugtes Knäblein zur Welt,und zwar das zweite ohneliche Kind.Die Mutter gib. als Vater an:Engelbert Wiener aus Wien gebürtig ,römisch katholischer Religion , gemeinen Artilleristen bei dem löblichen kaiserlich-königlichen dritten Artillerieregiment stehend.Das Kind wurde den sechsten Oktober getauft und J o h a n n e s genannt."

gez.Friedrich Carl Roos , Pfarrer.

Für die Richtigkeit obiger Abschrift auf Grund des Geburtsbuches Nº 4:1788-1798

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Ev. Pfarramt Eckartsweier,den 8.3. 1939:

The birth and christening record of Johannes Wiener - 1797
Eckartsweier, bei Kehl, Baden

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Ev. Pfarramt. Eckartsweier, den 10. 3. 1939.

Abschrift aus dem Totenbuch der evgl. Gemeinde Eckartsweier.

Jahrgang: 1802. Blatt 47 Nummer 11.

"Anna Barbara Urbania

In dem Jar eintausend achthundert zwei ,den neunten August, ist in dem hiesigen Ort nahelieguaen herrschaftlichen Willstätter Wald ,an dem sogenannten grossen Rain Grubna aufeine grausame und unmenschliche Art mit ganz zerschlagenem und wahrscheinlich mit einem Handbeil zerhauenem Kopf und abgeschnittenem Hals ermordet gefunden worden,welche Mordtat den Tag vorher , als den achten Sonntag nach Trinitatis geschah,

Anna Barbara Urbania,Georg Urban des alten dieses Namens, Bürgers und Taglöhners dahier,mit seiner verstorbenen Ehefrau Anna Maria geborene Bösin von hier gebürtig,ehelich erzeugte, ledige Tochter. Der deshalb im starken Verdacht geratene Täter wurde sogleich gefänglich verhaftet,und hat auch die Tat alsbald eingestanden und ist Johannes Stiessel,bürgerlicher Inwohner und Ackersmann dahier .Der Leichnahm wurde auf amtlichen Befehl,den nämlichen Tag,als den neunten August ,christlich beerdigt. Ihr Alter ist ein unddreissig Jar weniger 2. Tage."

Für die Richtigkeit der Abschrift bescheinigt:

Ev. Pfarramt Eckartsweier,den 10.3. 1939

M. Graf Pfr.

The death record and story of the circumstances of the murder of B 5 Anna Barbara Urban - Eckartsweier 1802

B 10 Georg Urban - Citizen and day laborer in Eckartsweier, was born in that town 4 September, and chirstened 6 September, 1730; married twice; died in Eckartsweier 16 April, 1810, and buried there 19 April.

B 11 Anna Maria Bosz (Boszen) was born at Eckartsweier on 13 February, 1731; christened 15th February. Died 26 March, and buried 28 March, 1772, Eckartsweier. She married Georg Urban 23 November, 1756.

Their children, all born at Eckartsweier:

A. Georg Urban - born 20 April, 1758; died 17 June, 1762.

B. Anna Maria Urban - born 24November, 1759; died 11 February, 1763.

C. Georg Urban - born 23 October, 1762; death date not learned. He married 13 November, 1798, Christina Bliss, of Niederwieler, who died November 6, 1842.

D. Michael Urgan - born 1 March, 1765; died 25 April, 1765.

E. Anna Maria Urban - born 11 March, 1766; nothing further learned.

F. Barbara Urban - Twin - Born 8 July, 1768; died 28 August, 1768.

G. Catharina Urban - Twin - Born 8 July, 1768; died single 5 Oct., 1791.

H. Anna Barbara Urban - B 5

Anna Maria Reibel was the second wife; she was brobably born at Hohnhurst at an estimated birth year 1751. She married Georg Urban at Eckartsweier on October 27, 1772. One child:

A. Michael Urban - Born December, 1781. A tailor. Died 21 May, 1831. He married 28 July, 1807, Anna Maria Hetzel who died 7 April, 1839.

B 12 Johannes Sengel was born at Altenheim 13 November, 1722; died there 16 December, 1774. Married twice.

Anna Velz, the first wife, married Sengel on 20 January, 1749, at Altenheim. She was born 5 April, 1727, and died 19 Aubust, 1762, both at Altenheim. Children: (all born at Altenheim)

A. Diebold Sengel - born 2 November, 1749; no further data.

B. Barbara Sengel - born 5 July, 1754; died 23 January, 1829. Married 27 Nove., 1780, Hans Engel, who died 16 May, 1797.

C. Anna Maria Sengel - born 14 August, 1756; died 28 April, 1817. Married 12 Jan., 1778, Theobald Koenig, who died 5 March, 1823.

D. Johannes Sengel - born 23 Jnauary, 1759; died 8 March, 1834. Married 3 May, 1783, Margaretha Dilderlin, who died 11 Nov., 1810.

E. Ursula Sengel - born 8 January, 1762; died 24 January, 1762.

B 13 Anna Schmidt, the second wife, was born 10 March, 1736, Altenheim, and died there 10 February, 1808. She married Johannes Sengel on May 9th, 1763, at Altenheim.

Prior to her marriage to Sengel, she had married, 19 August, 1782, Johann Conrad Engel, weaver, who died 6 August, 1811, Altenheim. There, their one child was born. He was:-

A. David Engel - born about 1785; died 11 May, 1822. Married Anna Sengel

Children of Johannes (Hans) Sengel and wife Anna Schmidt: [all born at Altenheim]

A. Michael Sengel - born 12 June, 1764. Married 20 October, 1799, Catharina Rinkel.

B. Christina Sengel - born 21 June, 1766; died 4 September, 1772.

C. Anna Sengel - born 3 March, 1768; died 20 September, 1789. Married the weaver David Engel.

D. Jacob Sengel - Posthumous - B 6

B 14 Christian Fink (Finch) was born 30 March, 1736, at Altenheim, and died there 16 January, 1784. Married twice.

B 15 Barbara Brehm was born 9 September, 1743; died 13 December, 1781; married Christian Fink 30 March, 1736; all at Altenheim. Her children, all born at Altenheim, were:

A. Barbara Fink - born 18 June, 1766; died 2 September, 1766.

B. Christian Fink - born 11 February, 1771; died 15 February, 1771.

C. Jacob Fink - born 16 July, 1772; it is believed he moved to some other town before his death. Married 13 February, 1792, Ursula Jund.

D. Christian Fink - born 31 August, 1777; died 13 November, 1777.

E. Catharina Fink - B 7

Magdalena Fritsch, the second wife, was married to Fink on 22 April, 1782, at Altenheim; there she died, 3 March, 1805. No children.

B 20 Georg Urban was born 29 December, 1702; married 30 November, 1725; died 31 December, 1761, all at Eckartsweier.

B 21 Anna Elizabeth Muell was born at Willstaedt, 27 June, 1706. Died _____ at Eckartsweier. Children - all born at Eckartsweier:

A. Michael Urban - born 11 July, 1728; died 1796. Married 7 Nov., 1764, Barbara Hetzel.

B. Georg Urban - B 10

C. Anna Maria Urban - born 18 December, 1732; no further data.

D. Anna Barbara Urban - born 20 May, 1734; infant.

E. Elizabetha Urban - born 15 September, 1735; no further data.

F. Anna Barbara Urban - born March, 1738; died 11 October, 1738.

G. Catherina Urban - born 6 November, 1739; married 24 May, 1766, the carpenter Jacob Wolff of Nimburg.

H. Jacob Urban - born 2 June, 1743.

I. Andreas Urban - born 14 April, 1746. Married 18 May, 1765, Elisabeth Grook, of Hohnhurst.

J. David Urban - born 14 August, 1748; died 27 October, 1749.

B 22 Michael Boss (Boess, Boes, Boesz, Bosz, etc.) was born and christened in refuge, with the christening recorded at Kehl, Baden, as 20 September, 1713. He died at Eckartsweier 1 April, 1795. Married three times.

B 23 Katherina Bauer (Burr, Burrin) was the first wife; she was born at Waltenheim, Alsace, and was christened there 16 June, 1707. When she died at Eckartsweier, Baden, Germany, 10 February, 1760, her age was recorded as "52 years, 2 months less 7 days." She married Boss on July 8th, 1730, at Eckartsweier, where her one child was born.

A. Anna Maria Boss - B 11

Anna Barbara Lutz, the second wife, married Boess 4 November, 1761, at Eckartsweier, where she was born 13 November, 1740, and where she died 15 September, 1763, in childbirth. Her parents were Michael Lutz and wife Catharina Urban. Child:

A. Michael Boss - born 15 September and died 20 September, 1763.

Marie Kleinmann married Boss on 29 July, 1772, Eckartsweier, as his third wife. She died 2 September, 1795. No children.

B 24 Johannes (Hans) Sengel - born 31 March, 1688; married 31 August, 1720; died 27 November, 1737; all at Altenheim.

B.25 Barbara Wurth was born 30 July, 1698, at Altenheim, and died there 16 May, 1755. By her first marriage, she had the following children all born at Altenheim:

A. Barbara Sengel - born 3 Feb., 1721; died 3 June, 1798. Married (1) January 22, 1743, Hans Hahn; he died 30 October, 1752, and she married (2nd) on 8 July, 1754, Michael Graf. Graf died 23 Dec., 1793.

B. Johannes Sengel - B 12

C. Catharina Sengel - born 2 May, 1725; died 23 September, 1805. Marr. (1) 17 July, 1747, Jacob Wurth. After Wurth's death, 14 April, 1762, she marr. (2nd) Claus Koenig, on 7 Feb., 1763; he died 26 Aug., 1796.

D. Theobald Sengel - born 9 June, 1729; died 7 July, 1803. Married 21 February, 1756, Christina Lang, who died 12 October, 1805.

E. Ursula Sengel - born 14 May, 1732; died 23 April, 1805. Married three times. (1) 9 Oct., 1751, to Diebold Wurth who died 20 March, 1766. (2) 23 November, 1767, to Diebold Anselm, who died 27 March, 1776. (3) 23 November, 1778, to Johannes Mild, who died ____April, 1805.

Barbara married second, at Altenheim 14 July, 1738, Conrad Fritsch, son of Joseph Fritsch and Anna Huegel. He was born at Altenheim 21 February, 1715. Only one child is recorded of this marriage:-

A. Michael Fritsch - born 30 January, 1740, Altenheim; died 12 April, 1806. Married 4 February, 1766, Magdalena Wagner. She was from Dundenheim, and died 17 March, 1823.

B 26 Solomon Schmid - Shoemaker - was born at Nimburg, Baden [near Freiburg] 25 November, 1700. He died at Altenheim 27 February, 1753. We do not know when he first came to Altenheim, but it was before his first marriage. (Name also shows as Schmidt.)

B 27 Anna Marzloff, first wife, was born 14 February, 1698; married 27 April, 1722; died 24 November, 1747; all at Altenheim. Her children by Solomon were all born at Altenheim. They were:

A. Ursula Schimd - born 28 January, 1723; died 29 August, 1751. Marr. 15 January, 1748, Diebold Kraemer, who died 20 November, 1801.

B. Johann Jacob Schmid - born 7 Jan., 1725 - bootmaker - died January 10, 1758. Married 14 August, 1752, Catherina Ammel, who died 21 February, 1774.

C. Solomon Schmid - born 6 May, 1727; bootmaker; died 27 October, 1789. Married 12 June, 1752, Anna Maria Bauderitsch, sho died 3 May 1775.

D. Johannes Schmid - bootmaker - born 3 October, 1729. He was single as late as 1767; date of death not learned.

E. Leonhard Schmid - born 25 August, 1731; died 26 May, 1732.

F. Nicolaus Schmid - born 2 May, 1733; no record after his confirmation in Altenheim in 1748.

G. Anna Schmid - B 13

H. Anna Maria Schmid - born 26 June, 1738; died 27 August, 1739.

Magdalena Adam was the second wife of Solomon Schmid. At her marriage on 17 June, 1748, she was "widow of Hans Schaefer" No record of her parentage or birth or death dates. No children.

B 28 Christian Fink was born about 1702, and came from Wuerttemberg. He died at Altenheim, 27 November, 1765, after three marriages. Cowherd. In the death book was written: "An honest and Christian man."

B 29 Anna Barbara Gadi, the first wife, was born at Altenheim January 13, 1703, and died there 17 June, 1739. She was married 15 June 1726, at Altenheim, where all of her children were born:

A. Johann Georg Fink - born 21 December, 1726; died 1 October, 1734, while family fled in refuge. "Nearly eight years old - of fever."

B. Abraham Fink - born 11 February, 1729; death and other information not learned.

C. Christian Fink - born 27 June, 1731; died 10 Sept., 1734, probably in refuge.

D. Ursula Fink - born 30 September, 1734; died 21 January, 1735.

E. Christian Fink - B 14.

Anna Barbara Rauss, the second wife, married Fink on 25 January, 1740, at Altenheim. She was the daughter of Jacob Rauss, carpenter, and his wife Anna Barbara Langenbach. She was born and died in Altenheim, 2 November, 1720/9 November, 1751. Her children, all born in Altenhiem, were:-

A. Maria Solome Fink - born 9 October, 1740; died 15 Nov., 1740.

B. Johann Jacob Fink - born 8 April, 1742; died 19 May, 1801. Married 17 November, 1766, Anna Maria Frank; she died 15 Feb., 1808. Employed as a messenger.

C. Christina Fink - born 1 January, 1745; died 2 July, 1747.

D. Anna Maria Fink - born 2 February, 1747; died 7 September, 1752.

E. Anna Barbara Fink - born 1 July, 1749; died 16 October, 1785. She did not marry, but was the mother of a child, Hans Fink, born at Altenheim, 1779.

F. Christina Fink - born 29 October, 1751; died 22 November, 1751.

Anna Brem (Bremm, Brehm) was the third wife, married to Christina Fink on 12 June, 1752. She was born and died at Altenheim, 27 May, 1727/ 26 July, 1795. Parents: Johann Martin Bremm, Magdalena Roth. She was at the time of this marriage the widow of Nicolaus Fischer; no details.

Children of Anna Brem and her husband Christian Fink, all born at Altenhiem:

A. Christina Fink - born 29 March, 1753; died 15 February, 1818. First marriage was 9 May, 1774, to the widower Johannes Roth. He died June 18, 1787; she then remarried 29 October, 1787, Jacob Marx, who died 11 December, 1808.

B. Catharina Fink - born 19 May, 1754; died 1 December, 1755.

C. David Fink - born 5 February, 1757; died 2 December, 1835. Sailor and innkeeper of The Swan, Altenheim. Married 12 October, 1778, Catherina Speck, who died 11 May, 1834.

D. Catharina Fink - born 12 February, 1761; died 27 June, 1785. Married Jacob Fischer on 3 February, 1782.

E. Hanns Georg Fink - born 7 June, 1765; died 12 September, 1768.

B 30 David Brem was "Fisher Master" at Altenheim. He was born in Altenheim 28 April, 1638, and died there 31 December, 1750. Married twice.

Ursula Sengel, the first wife, was the daughter of B48 Martin Sengel and B 49 Agnes Hugel. She was born and died in Altenheim, 23 March, 1681/2 November, 1731. Married at Altenheim 11 September, 1719. No children.

B 31 Anna Maria Fabian was born at Altenheim, 25 March, 1705, and died there 20 October, 1748. Before her first (only) marriage, she had a daughter, Ursula Fabian, born 2 March, 1727; died 17 March, 1727. She married Brehm 7 July, 1732, and had the following children, born at Altenheim:

A. David Brehm - born 27 January, 1733; died 3 February, 1733.

B. Anna Maria Brehm - born 22 December, 1733; died 24 Dec., 1733.

C. Johannes Brehm - born 25 June, 1735; died 21 February, 1742.

D. Catharina Brehm - born 22 Nov., 1741; died 4 March, 1742.

E. Barbara Brehm - B 15

B 40 Diebold Urban, of Hesselhurst, was probably born about 1665-70. He married at Eckartsweier, 15 May, 1694, and died there 1710. [The day and month of death are illegible in the entry.]

B 41 Anna Maria Voppel was born at Eckartsweier 29 August, 1669. By her first marriage, she had the following children, all born at Altenheim:

A. Anna Maria Urban - born 4 February, 1695; death not noted. Married 26 November, 1715, Andreas Walther, from Hesselhurst.

B. Anna Margaretha Urban - born 3 January, 1697; died 10 September, 1748 Married 1 June, 1721, Peter Lotz, who died 18 October, 1732.

C. Johannes Urban - born 28 December, 1698; died 29 May, 1706.

D. Catharina Urban - born 13 February, 1701; died 22 May, 1704.

E. Georg Urban - B 20

F. Barbara Urban - born 29 January, 1707; died 3 February, 1707.

G. Catharina Urban - born 8 April, 1708; died _____. Married Johannes Knauer, from Hesselhurst, on November 8, 1729.

H. Johannes Urban - born 9 January, 1711; died 22 February, 1788.

Anna Maria (Voppel) Urban married second, on February 17, 1722, Peter Gamal, son of Hans Georg Gamal, of Bartholomausberg, upper Austria. He died 2 September, 1734, at Eckartsweier. No children.

B 42 Marcus (Marx) Muell - born 27 April, 1664, died there June 7, 1720. "Citizen in Willstatt" Married twice.

B 43 Anna Barbara Wandres, 1st wife, was born 2 September, 1677; married 7 February, 1699; died 11 February, 1714; all at Willstatt. All children were born at Willstatt.

A. Hans Jacob Muell - born 6 November, 1699; died 20 September, 1744. Married 28 January, 1724, Catharina Rueb, of Blosheim, Alsace, who died 13 June, 1754.

B. Marx Muell - born 5 March, 1702; no further data.

C. Michael Muell - born 5 October, 1704; died 21 September, 1705.

D. Anna Elisabetha Muell - B 21

E. Valentim Muell - born 9 May, 1709; no further data.

F. Anna Barbara Muell - born 17 April, 1712; died 17 Feb., 1713.

G. Anna Maria Muell - born 14 January, 1714; died 10 May, 1715.

Maria Magdalena Veltin, the second wife, was a widow, previously married to a Herr Weisskopf. Her father was the dyer in Willstatt, Hans Veltin. Birth and death dates not secured. Her children:-

A. Johannes Muell - born 27 November, 1715; died 11/12 December, 1790. Married 8 February, 1746, Catharina Wandres.

B. Johann Michael Muell - born 21 September, 1718; died single 8th January, 1781.

B 44 Johannes Boess was born 25 November, 1658, at Eckartsweier, and died there 3 January, 1751. Married twice.

Catharina Baumert was the first wife, and daughter of Matthias and wife Catharina Baumert. She was born and died at Eckartsweier 21 July, 1659/ 16 November, 1704, and married there 15 November, 1680. Children, all born at Eckartsweier:

A. Hans Georg Boess - born 22 August, 1682; died 24 January, 1740. Married 9 January, 1714, Marie Koenig of Eckartsweier.

B. Johannes Boess - born 22 November, 1684; died _____; married in Willstatt, Catharina Hetzel.

C. Andreas Boess - born in September, 1687; died 16 February, 1688; age shown "4 months 2 weeks some days."

D. Matthias Boess - born 12 March, 1693; died 10 January, 1768.

E. Catharina Boess - born 24 July, 1698; death record not found. Married 24 June, 1727, Johann Georg Stroebel of Eckartsweier.

F. Johann Jacob Boess - born 31 July, 1701; died 27 June, 1713.

B 45 Anna Maria Wagner - 2nd wife - born at Willstatt 11 August, 1672. Married Johannes Boess at Eckartsweier, 4 January, 1711. Died there 16 September, 1732. One child:

A. Michel Boess - born Eckartsweier; christened 20 September, 1713. B 22

B 46 Lorentz Bauer was born 1 May, 1685 (Julian Calendar) or 11 May by the Gregorian system, at Waltenheim, Alsace. He was a citizen there, and became citizen and innkeeper in Odelshofen, Baden, Germany. He died at Odelshofen 30 March, 1738. Married twice.

B 47 Barbara Wagner was the first wife, probably married early in 1705. She was born 1684, and died at Odelshofen 15 November, 1727.
Children:- [A through E born at Waltenheim, the others at Odelshofen]

A. Anna Maria Bauer - christened 28 January, 1706. Married in Odelshofen, 15 May, 1725, Nicolaus Heitz.

B. Catharina Bauer - B 23

C. Barbara Bauer - chr. 2 October, 1708

D. Hanss Jacob - chr. 7 August, 1711; no further record after confirmation 1725.

E. Christina Bauer - chr. __ September, 1713; died 3 May, 1717.

F. Lorentz Bauer - born 30 August, 1715; died 5 October, 1718.

G. Margaretha Bauer - born 15 February, 1717; died 23 July, 1719.

H. Christina Bauer - born 12 February, 1719; did not marry but was the mother of a child in 1738.

I. Hans Georg Bauer - born 13 August, 1723; was confirmed in 1737 and thereafter disappears from record.

J. Margaretha Bauer - born 7 February, 1725; died 18 August, 1727.

Anna Maria Arbogast was married at Kork, Baden, 4 May, 1728, to Lorentz Bauer, B 46, as his second wife. She was born January 2, 1697, the daughter of Jacob Arbogast of Legelshurst, Baden. She died 17 April, 1771, at Odelshofen, Baden. Children, all born at Odelshofen:

A. Brigitta Bauer - born 29 October, 1729; died 22 December, 1752. Died single.

B. Johannes Bauer - born 1 January, 1733; died 2 March, 1795; married 29 January, 1760, to Margaretha Jockers.

C. Elisabeth Bauer - born 20 February, 1737; confirmed in 1751, after which we have no record.

B 48 Martin Sengel - Fisherman - born 17 November, 1650, Altenheim; died there 12 December, 1700.

B 49 Agnes Hugel was born at Altenheim, and christened there 29 Jan., 1654. Died at Altenheim, 18 February, 1723;there she married, on 29 May, 1674, and there she made her life except for a brief period in exile in the old "meadow refuge." Except for Child B, all the children were bonr at Altenheim.

A. Barbara Sengel - born 31 May, 1675; died 9 June, 1702. Married April 9, 1701, Hannss Fischer, from Tchenheim.

B. Anna Sengel, born 27 September, 1677, in Altenheim's "meadow refuge."

C. Ursula Sengel - born 23 March,1681; died 2 November, 1731. Married 11 September, 1719, as his first wife, our Ancestor B 30 David Brem

D. Anna Sengel - born 23 April, 1684; died 17 July, 1713.

E. Johannes Sengel - B 24

F. Elisabetha Sengel - born 27 April, 1694; died 22 January, 1774. Married 18 October, 1723, the widower Jacob Pfisterer, who died 21 December, 1764.

G. Hans Martin Sengel - Weaver - born 27 November, 1700; died 18 May 1751. Married twice. First wife, Catharina Rinkel, married 14 Jan. 1728; died 4 May, 1731. Second wife, Elisabetha Kurz, from Hugsweier bei Lahr married 8 October, 1731 and died 28 March, 1768.

B 50 Conrad Wurth - born ___ December, 1656; died 15 Dec., 1697; married 17 September, 1688, all at Altenheim.

B 51 Catherina Roggenbach was born and died at Altenheim - 2 February, 1664/13 January, 1744. Her children by first marriage, all born at Altenheim:

A. Barbara Wurth - born 21 October, 1689; died "in the Refuge" during August, 1690.

B. Catharina Wurth - born 31 January,1692; died 16 March, 1737. Married 7 September, 1716, Hans Biegert, who died 18 February, 1753.

C. Conrad Wurth - born 23 Feb., 1694. Died single 29 May, 1711.

D. Georg Wurth - born 13 April, 1696; died 5 July, 1696.

E. Barbara Wurth - Posthumous Child - B 25

Catharina (Roggenbach) Wurth married second, 31 October, 1701, the shipman, Clauss Meyer. No children.

B 52 Johannes Schmid or Schmidt, "Teneant and Administrator of a Princely Manor" at Nimburg. We estimate his birth as about 1653. When the birth and marriage information was retroactively entered in the new books for the town during October, 1713, neither he nor his wife were written in any entry, except their names were shown as having been the parents of the six children who came forward with their birth data. From this we infer that both Johannes and his wife had died by Oct.,1713.

B 53 Ursula Fries. No data available except the following list of children. There were undoubtedly other children who did not live to maturity or who may have moved to another town by the date of the reconstruction of the town's records. All are shown as born at Nimburg.

A. Salome Schmid - born 1679; died 3 June, 1720. Married, March, 1702 Leonhard Riebstock.

B. Andreas Schmid - born September, 1681; married February, 1704, to Maria Barbara Kimmer.

C. Anna Maria Schmid - born September 1686; married 11 Nove., 1710, Johann Georg Stortz, who died 11 March, 1735.

D. Johann Jacob Schmid - born September, 1688; no further data, except that he was obviously still living in October, 1713, for his birth to have been entered in the records.

E. Frantz Schmid - born November, 1690; died 14 February, 1735. Married 1717, Anna Maria Christ.

F. Solomon Schmid - B 26

B 54 Nicholas Marzloff - Same as A 118

B 55 Sabine Rieth - Same as A 119

B 56 Johann Georg Fink - Cowherd and later Gooseherd - wasborn about 1675, and came from Wuerttemberg, Germany. He died at Altenheim 26 February, 1748. Married Twice.

B 57 Anna Barbara Hausser was born 1677, and lived at Wuerttemberg. We do not have the date of her marriage, nor do we know if her children were born before coming to Altenheim.

A. Christian Fink - B 28

B. Barbara Fink - Born 1706; died 2 January, 1753. Married 21 June, 1723, Claus Kammerer - widower and butcher - who died 29 April, 1764.

C. Justina Fink - Married 5 August, 1733, to Johann Peter Beck, weaver of Mauern, Oettingen-Haarburg, Germany.

D. Susanna Fink - Confirmed 1726; we do not know if she married.

E. Antonius Fink - born 1717; died 25 February, 1727, age 9 3/4 yrs.

Catherina Schor, the second wife, was the daughter of Christian Schor, of Hintersass. She was married to Johann Georg Fink at Altenheim on February 11, 1732. Birth and death dates have not been learned.

Children of Joh. Geo. Fink and wife Catherina, all born Altenheim:

A. Salome Fink - born 9 Dec., 1732; confirmed at Altenheim 1748. No further record.

B. Ursula Fink O born 2 September, 1735.

C. Catharina Fink - born 6 September, 1737; died 4 October, 1737.

B 58 Abraham Gadi - born 1669/70 at Nonnenweier, bei Lahr, Baden, was described in the records as follows: " A Swiss by race, from Sumiswald in the territory of Bern, but baptized in Nonnenweier and educated in the Alsace." [Sumiswald is 22 KM N.E. of Bern.] He died at Altenheim 4 January, 1740. Because his marriage and the birth of his first child is not to be found at Altenheim, we must fix the time of his coming to Altenheim as about 1699. He married twice.

B 59 Appolonia Sengel was born at Altenheim 20 February, 1671, and died there 27 December, 1713. All of her children except the first appear in the Altenheim birth records. They were:

A. Abraham Gadi - born 1698; died 1 March, 1732. Married 10 July, 1726, Brigitte Marzloff; she survived him, marrying 2nd Martin Speck. She died 18 February, 1762.

B. Johann Jacob Gadi - born 15 March, 1700; died 28 August, 1702.

C. Isaak Gadi - born 3 October, 1701; died 29 September, 1702.

D. Anna Barbara Gadi - B 29

E. Euphrosine (Evasin) Gadi - born 31 May, 1705; died 14 Nov., 1776. Married 13 April, 1739, the widower Hans Kappler, who died 25 December, 1740.

F. Dorothea Gadi - born 26 October, 1706; nothing further known.

G. Johannes Gadi - born 25 March, 1708; died before 1717.

H. Benedict Gadi - born 19 January, 1710; died 6 March, 1762. Marr. 26 November, 1732, Anna Maria Minn, of Hugsweier, bei Lahr; she died 2 September, 1751.

Elisabeth Kummer, daughter of Hans Kummer, was the second wife. She was born at Kippenheim bei Lahr, 21 November, 1677, and died at Altenheim 24 February, 1738. She married 24 May, 1716, at Altenheim, where the births of her three children are recorded.

A. Johannes Gadi - born 7 April, 1717; nothing further known.

B. Anna Elisabeth Gadi - born 30 July, 1720; died single 30 Dec., 1751.

C. Jacob Gadi - born 5 September, 1721.

B 60 Hans Martin Brem (Brehm, Bremm) was born 12 November, 1648; married 26 September, 1670; died 22 March, 1720; all at Altenheim

B 61 Anna Mirsch was probably born about 1649, probably in or near Illkirch, the Alsace. She died 1 August, 1707, at Altenheim, where her six children were born.

A. Anna Ursula Brehm - born 8 July, 1671; died 6 January, 1721. Marr. 4 February, 1704 the widower Hanns Fischer; he died 22 December, 1718.

B. Johann Jacob Brehm - born 28 February, 1674; died 23 October, 1730. Married 13 September, 1705, Catharina Mueller, from Dorlissheim, the Alsace; she died 18 January, 1733.

C. Johann Martin Brehm - born Altenheim and christened there 23 January, 1676; died 19 October, 1739. He married 15 October, 1708, Magdalena Roth from Dundenheim; she died 27 Feb., 1762.

D. Michael Brehm - born 18 October, 1680; died 1 December, 1696. His death entry says "aged 16 years; dhe died probably by the rottenness without the least complaint of any aches." [Cancer?]

E. David Brehm - B 30

F. Elisabetha Brehm - born 13 September, 1685; died 6 May, 1687.

B 62 Christian Fabian - of Lahr and vicinity; born 1658; died at Badersweier, 13 June, 1718. He was killed accidentally when returning from a wagon trip to Durlach. The horses and wagon ran over him, and he lived for only three days. [Badersweier is near Kehl]

B 63 Barbara Hauser - born 12 March, 1668; died 6 May, 1714; married 23 January, 1680; all at Altenheim. Children, all born at Altenheim, were:

A. Nicolaus Fabian - born 24 December, 1688; died 5 March, 1762. Married 29 January, 1720, Anna Ursula Rinkel; she d. 10 June, 1762.

B. Johannes Fabian - born 5 January, 1692; died 10 July, 1753. Married 16 November, 1720, Christina Strosack, who died 27 Feb., 1757

C. Barbara Fabian - born 12 October, 1694; died 15 June, 1751. Marr. 9 Oct., 1724, Jacob Schafer.

D. Christian Fabian - born 21 Feb., 1697; died 2 June, 1748. Married 25 January, 1727, Barbara Kraemer, who d. 8 June, 1749.

E. Christina Fabian - born 29 Oct., 1700 - d. 22 Jan., 1766. Md. first, 27 May, 1726, Johann Freidrich Anselm, the son of A 96 Johann Dietrich Anselm and A 97 Anna Maria Wolff; he had previously been married to Catharina Pauli, and died 27 April, 1733. Christina then married, 25 June, 1736, Georg Wurth.

F. Anna Maria Fabian - B 31

G. Diebold (Theobald) Fabian - born 6 October, 1709; died 26 June, 1778. Married 20 January, 1738, Susanna Roessler.

[It is interesting to note regarding the above family that every child of the large group lived to marry; this is quite unusual for that age, when discomforts and lack of medical care brought early death to the children of most households.]

B 82 Hans Georg Voppel was born at Eckartsweier about 1641. He was dead by the summer of 1700. "Citizen" of Eckartsweier, when he married there on July 29th, 1666.

B 83 Appolonia Muell - born and died at Eckartsweier, 6 October, 1644/November 5, 1700. All children were born at Eckartsweier.

A. Catharina Voppel - born 5 May, 1667; died 16 January, 1678.

B. Anna Maria Voppel - B 41

C. Appolonia Voppel - born 21 February, 1672; no further record.

D. Anna Voppel - born 31 January, 1675; no further record.

E. Hans Georg Voppel - born 10 June, 1681; died same day.

F. Hans Jacob Voppel - born 13 September, 1687; died 29 April, 1722. Married 26 November, 1713, Margaretha Hetzel. IMPORTANT NOTE:- This man is attributed to this family group because there were no other parents of this name at Eckartsweier; however, the parish records do not mention his parents' names.

B 84 Michael Muell was born at Willstatt, Baden, 23 April, 1620; died at Willstatt, date unknown. Baker. Married 3 times.

Agnes Christmann - daughter of Diebold Christman, of Auenheim, Baden, was the first wife. We do not have birth date. She died at Willstatt, 15 October, 1652. It is believed that this couple spent the early days of their marriage at the parents home, at Auenheim, and that the first child was probably born there. Her marriage was on November 8, 1646, at Willstatt. Children:

A. Catharina Muell - born about 1646, died 2 January, 1647.

B. Georg Muell - born 28 Nov., 1647; no further data.

C. Agnes Muell - born 15 April, 1649, at Willstatt; died 24 June, 1652.

D. An unborn child, lost with the mother, 15 October, 1652.

Barbara Tennier (name also shown as Thaen, Tenn, Tuennier, Tannier, etc.) was the second wife, married 18 April, 1653, at Willstatt. She died 12 February, 1663. Children were all born at Willstatt.

A. Susanna - born 27 August, 1654; died 30 September, 1654.

B. Barbara Muell - born 16 October, 1655; no further data.

C. Elisabeth Muell - born 3 September, 1657; died 25 January, 1658.

B 85 Anna Maria Engel - born about 1623, came from Friesenham, bei Lahr, Baden. Actual birth and death dates not learned. Married to Michael Muell at Willstatt, 15 June, 1663. All children were born at Willstatt.

A. Marx (Marcus) Muell - B 42

B. Catharina Muell - born 2 August, 1665; died 24 August, 1719. Marr. 26 January, 1697, Georg Buerkel.

C. Michael Muell - born 29 September, 1667; died 30 October, 1730. Married 23 October, 1694, Anna Catharina Paulus of Willstatt.

D. Lienhardt Muell - born 4 July, 1669; died 29 February, 1720. Marr. 26 January, 1697, Brigitta Ehrhart of Legelshurst.

E. Anna Maria Muell - born 28 May, 1671; died 7 Jan., 1677.

F. Johannes Muell - born 18 June, 1673; died "by a miserable fall" on June 16, 1685.

B 86 Valentin Wandres - Bootmaker - born 8 January, 1643, at Willstatt, and died there 13 June, 1721. Married 3 times.

B 87 Agnes Engel - born 1644, of Legelshurst, bei Kehl; died at Willstatt, aged 38 3/4 years, on April 28, 1683. Mar. 1 Aug.,1664, at Willstatt, where all her children were born.

A. Agnes Wandres - born 17 May, 1665; died 14 January, 1676.

B. Anna Maria Wandres - born 19 January, 1669; died _____. Married 9 April, 1695, Jacob Beldter, cartwright in Willstatt.

C. Elisabeth Wandres - born 8 September, 1672; died 9 March, 1675.

D. Anna Elisabeth Wandres - born 23 April, 1676; died 30 May, 1676.

E. Anna Barbara Wandres - B 43

F. Anna Wandres - born 24 October, 1680; nothing further known.

Anna Maria Hurst, second wife, was married to Valentin Wandres at Willstatt on November 20th, 1683. She was born about 1655, the daughter of Georg Hurst of Kehl; died childless at Willstatt 5 June, 1684.

Maria Weideerrecht - third wife - bonr 25 March, 1658, Willstatt, and married there 21 January, 1685. She was the daughter of David Wiederrecht and wife Margaret Bolleber. Children, born at Willstatt:-

A. Hans Jacob Wandres - born 4 July, 1682, during the existence of the father's 1st marriage. Married 10 January, 1708, Agnes Karch of Hesselhurst.

B. Valentine (Veltin) Wandres - born 8 November, 1685. Married 10 November, 1711, Catharina Paulus.

B 88 Hanns Georg Boes (Boess) was born in 1621, probably at Eckartsweier, where he died 6 August, 1690. Married twice.

B 89 Barbara Koch - born 1614. died "aged 72 years" at Eckartsweier on 14 February, 1686. She married at Eckartsweier 22 April, 1650 and the births of all her children are recorded at that town.

A. Margaretha Boess - born 5 April, 1651; married to Peter Luz on 25 January, 1669. Luz, Burgomaster substitute, died 17 June, 1717, while the family was in refuge at Strasbourg.

B. Barbara Boess - born 12 February, 1654; died 9 January, 1725. Marr. 2 November, 1680, Georg Urban, who died 18 January, 1719.

C. Anna Magdalena Boess - born 10 July, 1656; died 25 Nov., 1663.

D. Johannes Boess - B 44

E. Michael Boess - born 29 September, 1661; died 4 July, 1662.

Barbara Liebs, daughter of Peter Liebs, of Grundelwald, Switzerland, was married to Hanns George Boess 17 January, 1688. She had no children by this marriage. She married second, 26 April, 1691, at Willstatt, Friedrich Heinig.

B 90 Matthias Wagner was born about 1631 - Citizen and Carpenter in Willstatt, where he died 29 October, 1678. Married twice.

Susanna Elisabeth Lind, the first wife, was the daughter of the magistrates' clerk Hans Nicholas Lind; married 12 October, 1657, Willstatt, and died there 29 November, 1669. Children:

A. An unnamed infant, born and died 3 July, 1659.

B. Hans Nicolaus Wagner - born 3 June, 1660.

C. Susanna Catherina Wagner - born 9 June, 1662.

D. Hans Phillips Wagner - born 17 July, 1664.

E. Maria Magdalena Wagner - born 29 September, 1666.

[Note: None of the above children are found in the Willstatt marriage records. Perhaps they were taken to the grandparents' home when the mother died and the father remarried.]

B 91 Maria Pfotzer, the second wife, was born 22 December, 1650; married Matthias Wagner 16 May, 1670; married Conrad Wandres 8 September, 1679; died 25 July, 1722; all at Willstatt. She was a midwife. Children of her first marriage:

A. Anna Barbara Wagner - born 14 April, 1671; no further data.

B. Anna Maria Wagner - B 45

C. Susanna Elisabetha Wagner - born 1675; died 17 September, 1676.

Maria's second husband was Conrad Wandres, son of Hans Conrad Wandres, tailor, and wife Margretha Riehl; grandson of B 172, Conrad Wandres. Their children:

A. Hans Conrad Wandres - born 11 June, 1682.

B. Anna Sibyella Wandres - born 6 October, 1684; died 21 October, 1723. Married 21 November, 1719, Hans Naefer.

C. Magdalena Wandres - born 19 July, 1686.

D. Hans Mikel Wandres - born 7 November, 1688; died 24 May, 1694.

B 92 Lorentz Bauer - of Waltenheim, Ht.Rhin, Alsace.

B 93 Margaretha Mahn or Maehn

B 96 Johannes (Hans) Sengel - born 1627, probably at Illkirch, the Alsace. Died at Altenheim, 29 January, 1674. He first appears in the Altenheim records about 1648. " A pious and faithful man." Married twice. He is our ancestor through both of the marriages.

B 97 The first wife was Ursula Rodt, born about 1626. When she died at Altenheim on April 13th, 1661, the minister recorded "was sick more than half a year; behaved well in her illness." Her marriage record is not found at Altenheim, but all of her children were born there.

A. Margaretha Sengel - chr. 12 March, 1648; died 21 October, 1720. Married 1st, 26 August, 1672, Michael Vetter, weaver, who died 3 March, 1678. Married 2nd, 31 March, 1680, Jacob Huegel, who died 29 March, 1730.

B. Martin Sengel - B 48

C. Anna Sengel - chr. 26 June, 1653; died _____. Married 10 May, 1697, the widower and fisherman, Hanss Spener, who died 14 June,1730

D. Ursual Sengel - chr. 23 December, 1656; died 15 Nov., 1660.

E. Johannes Sengel - chr. 8 June, 1658; died 23 Feb., 1662.

F. Salome Sengel - chr. 14 October, 1660; died 29 July, 1661.

Anna Kopf was the second wife; since she was B 119, look for her in the correct numberical list, below.

B 98 Hanss Huegel - of Altenheim - born est. 1609. Married twice.

Catharina Michel was the first wife; she was a widow, probably of Adolph Reuter. She was born about 1613, and died at Altenheim 16 April, 1650. Children, all born at Altenheim:

A. Johannes Huegel - chr. 29 July, 1638; died by 1641.

B. Johannes Huegel - chr. 24 June, 1641; died 11 July, 1670. Marr. 16 July, 1660, Barbara Zuercher.

C. Ursula Huegel - chr. 5 November, 1643; died 17 March, 1657.

D. Anna Huegel - chr. 5 April, 1646; died _____. Marr. Wolfgang Jaeckle, from the Canton Solothurn, Switzerland, 15 Oct., 1666.

E. Diebold Huegel - chr. 17 April, 1650; twin; died 29 April, 1650.

F. Elisabetha Huegel - chr. 17 April, 1650; twin; died 7 May, 1650.

B 99 Margaretha Marx, second wife, married Huegel at Altenheim on January 24th, 1653. She was from Rohrburg, and was born about 1633. Her children, all christened at Altenheim, were:

A. Agnes Huegel - B 49

B. Jacob Huegel - chr. 21 October, 1658; died 29 March, 1730. Married 31 March, 1680, Margarethe Sengel, widow of Michel Vetter and dau. of B 96 Hans Sengel and wife B 97 Ursula Rodt.

C. Barbara Huegel - chr. 11 April, 1661; died 7 September, 1661.

B 100 Nicholas (Clauss) Wurth was born 1613; his death entry says "age 70"or"age 76" but compared with wife's age and children's age, the former seems most likely. He died at Altenheim 2 November and was buried there 4 November, 1683. Married twice.

B 101 Barbara Marx, first wife, was born 1620, and died at Altenheim 31 July, 1668. Married 5 February, 1649, at Altenheim, where the births of all her children are recorded:

A. Jacob Wurth - chr. 23 Dec., 1649; died single 6 Dec., 1691.

B. Nicolaus Wurth - chr. 8 August, 1652.

C. Barbara Wurth - chr. 12 November, 1654.

D. Conrad Wurth - B 50

E. Brigitta Wurth - chr. 10 July, 1659; married 8 May, 1690, to Martin Siffert, from Illwickertsheim, Alsace, who died 12 April, 1722

F. Diebold Wurth - chr. 20 July, 1662; married 5 March, 1688, Magdalena Tuellig.

Barbara Marx had been married before her marriage to Nicholas Wurth. Her first marriage, in January 1644, was to Michel Marzloff, son of A 148, Clauss Marzloff. He was born 1620, and lived at Altenheim; died there 6 April, 1648, "aged 28 years." Children of this marriage, all recorded at Altenheim:-

A. Barbara Marzloff - chr. 27 October, 1644; buried 21 April, 1650.

B. Maria Marzloff - chr. 14 February, 1647; died 13 September, 1705. Married the Schultheiss [overseer] Michael Reuter on Feb. 12, 1666. Reuter died 28 Feb., 1712.

C. Ursula Marzloff - chr. 22 Oct., 1648.

Susanna Bieler was Clauss Wurth's second wife. She came from Friesenham; married, at Altenheim, 22 August, 1670. Susanna was the daughter of the stonecutter Michael Bieler, of Friesenheim; born 1646, died 19 March, 1700. Children: [all at Altenheim]

A. Maria Wurth - born 27 May, 1671; died 24 July, 1671.

B. Johann Michael Wurth - born 24 June, 1672.

C. Georg Wurth - born 6 August, 1673.

D. Hanss Wurth - born 6 November, 1674; died 7 December, 1742. Marr. 10 Dec., 1707, Appolonia Meyer, who died 18 Dec., 1742.

E. Jorg Wurth - born 8 January, 1678.

F. Catharina Wurth - born 15 September, 1680; died 11 July, 1749. Married the nightwatchman Jacob Schober, who died 20 Aug., 1752.

G. Claus Wurth - born 5 November, 1683, the date of his father's burial. Died 28 January, 1684.

Susanna Bieler married second, Hans Stibbich. No data.

B 102 Martin Roggenbach (Rockenbach) was born about 1610/1611. He died at Altenheim, 18 January, 1678, after two marriages.

Brigitta Vetter, the first wife, was born about 1606, and died at Altenheim on May 22nd, 1662. Her death record says"Old 56 years; in matrimony 35 years; had had 9 children, yet living, 4." Thus some of her children, born before the commencement of the church book in 1635 cannot be identified.

A, B, C, D - Not identified.

E. Ursula Roggenbach - died single 26 December, 1659.

F. "A little son" - chr. 22 July, 1638; apparently died same date or soon afterward.

G. Johannes Roggenbach - chr. 26 Dec., 1643; married 9 November, 1668 Appolonia Bolleber, who died at Altenheim 23 August, 1677.

H. Andreas Roggenbach - chr. 27 June, 1647.

I. Georg Roggenbach - chr. 16 June, 1650; married 20 June, 1670, Catharina, the widow of Claus Schmidt.

B 103 Catharina Jacob, second wife, married Martin Roggenbach at Altenheim 20 October, 1662. She was born at Ruprechtsau, the Alsace, September 4, 1631, and died at Altenheim, 20 May, 1698. We have record of only one child:

A. Catherina Roggenbach - B 51

B 118 Johannes (Hanns) Sengel - same as B 96

B 119 Anna Kopf was the second wife of B 96 and B 118, Johannes Sengel. She was born about 1640-41, and married at Altenheim, 20 January, 1662. Her children, all recorded at Altenheim:

A. Barbara Sengel - chr. 24 Feb., 1663.

B. Ursula Sengel - chr. 27 Jan., 1664.

C. Catharina Sengel - chr. 30 July, 1665.

D. Elisabetha Sengel - chr. 30 Dec., 1666.

E. Christina Sengel - chr. 25 Dec., 1668.

F. Appolonia Sengel - B 59

G. Maria Sengel - chr. 24 September, 1672.

B 120 Hans Jacob Brehm - Same as A 154

B 121 Ursula Trunkenbold - Same as A 155

B 122 Martin Mirsch - Forestkeeper of the Goose Court of the town of Strasbourg. He was born about 1612/13, and lived at Illkirch. Died at Altenheim, 7 January, 1678.

B 123 Ursula Matthis was probably born about 1617. She married at Illkirch, ___May, 1638, and died at Altenheim 27 June, 1702. Her children were probably born at or near Illkirch.

A. Maria Salome Mirsch - chr. 28 April, 1646; died single 7 Apr.,1706 She was confirmed at Altenheim in 1663, and the minister recorded the date of her christening.

B. Anna Mirsch - B 61

C. Hans Martin Mirsch - born March, 1650; died 2 April, 1699. Marr. first, 6 October, 1672, Christina Hauser, who died 18 July, 1682. Marr. 2nd April 23, 1683, Elizabeth Nuchler, widow of Diebold Rieg; she died 13 December, 1703.

B 124 Phillip Fabian - Vineplanter - of Lahr, Baden. [We lack all details of this family.]

B 126 Claus Hauser - of Lahr. Details not obtained.

B 127 Anna Schneider - of Lahr.

B 164 Hanss Voppel - Citizen and Innkeeper in Eckartsweier. Children included:

A. Hans Jacob Voppel - died 3 May, 1684, "age 44 years". Married at Eckartsweier, 7 May, 1666, Magdalena Storebel.

B. Hans Georg Voppel - B 82

B 166 Hanss Muell - Citizen in Eckartsweier.

B 167 Appolonia _____ married Hanss Muell at Kork, Baden, on January 10th, 1642. She died 25 January, 1672, Eckartsweier. Only one child of this marriage;

A. Appolonia Muell - B 83

Appolonia came from Odelshofen, Baden, and before her marriage to Hanss Muell had been the wife of Jacob Jockers; she probably had children by this marriage, but they cannot be identified since the Kork records begin only in 1662. There were five Jockers families, headed by Barthel Jockers, by a Diebold Jockers, and by three different Jacob Jockers!

B 168 Georg Muell, of Willstatt, died in Willstatt on April 7th, 1630. He had married twice.

Margarete _____, the first wife, died at Willstatt 27 January, 1613. We do not know if there were children by this marriage.

B 169 Catharina Steudel, second wife, was from Bodersweier, Baden. She married Georg Muell at Willstatt, 17 May, 1613. Children, all recorded at Willstatt, were:-

A. Marx Muell - born 26 April, 1618; died 1 October, 1657, at Strasbourg

B. Michael Muell - B 84

C. Margreth Muell - born 21 November, 1622.

D. Catharina Muell - born 1 May, 1625.

B 170 Lienhard Engel was originally from oberb. Bavaria, andmade his home at Friesenham, Baden. He was probably born about 1590. Married twice.

B 171 The first wife's name is unknown; she probably had several children, but we know the name of only one, our ancestress,

A. Anna Maria Engle - B 85

Ursula Koellin, the second wife, was married to Lienhard Engle at Tchenheim, Baden, 30 January, 1660. She was then the widow of the barber Peter Niecker or Nieckhart, of Tchenheim. No details of family.

B 172 Conrad Wandres - Barber - was at Willstatt in early years. Born 1603; died at Kehl,Baden, Germany - Age 72 at death. He was married three times. It is possible that his family home was Strasbourg, for he removed to that town with his infant children when his first wife died.

Anna Sibyella _____, the first wife, is not identified by family name. She died at Willstatt in December, 1634. Children, all born at Willstatt:

A. Anna Maria Wandres - born 6 September, 1624; died 14 November,1626

B. Hans Conrad Wandres - born 29 June, 1627. Married 31 January, 1653 Margreta Riehl.

C. Hans Jacob Wandres - born 17 April, 1631; died as an infant, 3 Oct. 1635 at Strasbourg.

D. Anna Maria Wandres - born 13 April, 1634; died as an infant, December ___, 1635, at Strasbourg.

Margaret _____, maiden name not known, married Conrad Wandres as his second wife, about 1635, probably in Strasbourg. She died at Strasbourg 3 February, 1636.

A. Hans Wandres of Willstatt is attributed to the above marriage; a "parade" of possible parent-pairs does not reveal another family of the same name and proper ages. He was born 1635/6; birth would have been at Strasbourg if he is indeed of this couple. Married 1st, on 22 February, 1669, Anna Maria Schreiber, who died 25 Nov., 1674. Hans married 2nd, on 18 June, 1676, Ottilia Geyer, of Hesselhurst; she died 2 May, 1727.

B 173 Anna _____, the third wife and our ancestress, was the widow of Mathis Ruehl, of Odelshofen. She married Conrad Wandres at Willstatt 10 February, 1637, and died at Willstatt, 1 September, 1661. Children:

A. Andreas Wandres - born 6 Dec., 1640 at Willstatt; married 10 June, 1667, Anna Schmitt of Neumehl.

B. Valtin or Valentine Wandres - B 86

Nothing is known of Anna's first husband, Mathis Ruehl, but he of course died by Feb. 1637 and would probably have been born about 1600.

Barbara Monschein, the fourth wife, married Wandres on 17 February, 1662 at Willstatt. She was the daughter of Peter Monschein, of Switzerland and of Hesselhurst. No children by this marriage. Birth and death dates not found.

B 174 Bernhard Engel came from Legelshurst, amt Kehl, Baden, where he died in 1644.

B 175 Barbara _____, maiden name unknown, was wife at time of Engel's death; unless our ancestress Agnes Engel, B 87, came from an earlier first marriage, we can assume this was her mother. Barbara died at Willstatt 27 February, 1672.

B 176 Hans Boess (Boes - Translation= "Evil") was probably born about 1590; known dead by April, 1650. An innkeeper in Eckartsweier.

B 177 Magdalena _____, wife of Hans Boess, died at Eckartsweier 7 March, 1672, "aged 81 years" placing birth as 1591. We do not know her parentage, family name, or complete list of children.

B 178 Claus Koch - Citizen in Eckartsweier - was born about 1580. Wife's name and name of other children not known.

B 180 Peter Wagner - Innkeeper in Hambach, county Luetzelstein; Born about 1600; died by 1671.

B 182 Andreas Pfotzer - Cooper of Willstatt - was born about 1605. He died at Willstatt 11 February, 1659.

B 183 Anna Waldt was married to Andreas Pfotzer at Willstatt 27 May, 1645. We estimate her birth as about 1622. Children by this marriage:

A. Michael Pfotzer - cooper - born 14 March, 1647, Willstatt. Marr. first 26 August, 1667, Maria Magdalena Matz, who died 13 Dec.,1675. Marr. 2nd on 6 February, 1676, Anna Kind, of Willstatt.

B. Maria Pfotzer - B 91

Anna Waldt married after Pfotzer's death, Adam Gilg, son of Georg Gilg, of Land, amt Kehl, Baden. Marriage was at Willstatt, 2 May, 1660; no children of this second marriage.

B 198 Bastian Marx - born about 1600-1605 - of Rohrburg and Altenheim, is not mentioned in the books except as the father of our ancestress B 99 Margaretha Marx.

B 200 Conrad Wurth died at Altenheim 1634/35.

B 202 Jacob Marx - Same as A 152

B 206 Georg Jacob was born about 1597, at Ruprechtsau, the Alsace. He died there 8 September, 1641. Married twice.

Margaretha Naegel was the first wife, married to Georg Jacob on 11 Sept. 1622 at Ruprechtsau. She was the daughter of the "administrator" Paul Naegel (Naegelin) and came from Chartusians, France. Died 26 September, 1624, at Ruprechtsau. One child:

A. Georg Jacob - born 6 August, 1623, Ruprechtsau.

B 207 Marie Vogt was born 7 June, 1604, at Ruprechtsau, and there married, 7 October, 1625, Georg Jacob. Death record not found. Children, all born at Ruprechtsau:

A. Marie Jacob - born 7 November, 1627.

B. Johann Jacob - born 27 May, 1629.

C. Catharina Jacob - B 103

D. Martin Jacob - born 5 August, 1635

E. Lorenz Jacob - born 16 September, 1640.

B 238 Hanss Kopf - Lived at Altenheim; no details learned.

B 246 Hanss Matthis - of Altenheim. Birth estimated at about 1585.

B 247 Barbara _____ was Hanss Matthis's wife. Maiden name and details not found.

B 338 Michel Steudel died at Bodersweier, Baden, where he was Stathalter -Burgomaster's substitute - sometime before 1613. There are no records early enough to give the details of his life.

B 344 Marx Wandres, who died in Willstatt before 1608, is the probable father of our Conrad Wandres, B 172

B 345 Maria _____, widow of Marx Wandres, died at Willstatt of Smallpox on November 20th, 1608.

Note: the above were the only couple of this name at Willstatt, and were of a correct age to be Conrad's parents.

B 364 Michael Pfotzer - Citizen of Willstatt - was born about 1575. Died at Willstatt 8 May, 1636.

B 365 Catharina _____ has not been identified by family name. She died at Willstatt 26 October, 1631. Children, the first two of whom were probably born before the family settled in Willstatt, were:

A. Georg Pfotzer - born 1602-03. Married 1st, June 30, 1634, Sabine Beck, who died 7 September, 1642; he then married, 21 Feb., 1643, Maria, widow of Hans Hetzel of Kork.

B. Andreas Pfotzer - B 182

C. Michael Pfotzer - Tailor - born 18 September, 1608, Willstatt. [Note: All the later children also born Willstatt.] Died 11 Feb., 1659. Not married.

D. Claus Pfotzer - born 17 June, 1610. Married 6 April, 1746, Maria Sauer or Schauer, from Koenigschafhausen, Kaiserstuhl, Baden.

E. Brigitta Pfotzer - born 29 May, 1617; died 8 July, 1617.

F. Elisabetha Pfotzer - born 11 July, 1619.

G. Anna Pfotzer - born 8 April, 1621.

B 366 Christoph Waldt - Schoolmaster in Wolschkirch, Saarland.

B 412 Hans Jacob - - Gardener and Forester at Ruprechtsau, Alsace, was originally from Schiltigheim, near Strasbourg. He became a citizen of Ruprechtsau on 19 October, 1596.

B 414 Andreas Vogt - was of Ruprechtsau, the Alsace.

Chapter 4

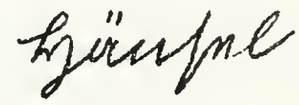
Descendants of the old Hansel Ancestor -- the Burgher Hanss Hansel

A Note - This chapter in its present state must be considered tentative and not complete. Many research sources are still open, both in Germany and in America, which in time will yield more knowledge of the Hansel relatives. However the present opportunity to publish the collection of materials already at hand seemed too fortunate to allow of further delays, and so it was decided to let the work come out without waiting for every final source to be searched.

Readers finding a connection with this family, or having reason to believe or hope they may be descended from any herein, are invited to correspond with the compiler.

HANSEL -- HAENSEL -- HENSEL -- HANNSEL -- HEINSEL -- HENTZEL --

The family name is found written in many ways. Perhaps the most accurate translation from the German spelling would be HAENSEL. The name is pronounced in a manner that leads the average english-speaking writer to use the spelling "Hansel" [i.e., the "Haen" is pronounced as the "han" in hand] The first syllable is spoken quickly, and is accented. We are arbitrarily using the spelling HANSEL for the convenience of the english-speaking readers who will probably thereby gain the most accurate "feel" of the family name.



The numbering system differs in this chapter. Throughout this Chapter, note the numbers carry the letter "C" in all cases. Every "head of a family" is given a "C number." Thus the oldest family head, the ancestor Hans Hansel, is "C 1." His wife and our ancestress is "C 2." Of their family, we know marriage and family details of only the one son Hans Georg, who is therefor given the next number, "C 3." In turn, his wife becomes C 4, and each of his children who became family heads become in their order C 5, C6, and C 7. Under each "family head", each child known is designated in chronological order as A, B, C, etc.

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C 1 Hanss Hansel was born sometime near 1618-1620. Burgher (citizen) of Altenheim. When the son Kilian was baptized, the old Minister wrote "1651 the 25th of May Hanss Heinsel, the lost fellow [i.e.-Catholic] and Margreth from Cronaw out of the Brunswickish land, let baptize a little son - - -" From this entry, one learns that the mother was from Cronau or Gronau, which is 30 km south of Hanover on the river Leine. This may or may not give a clue to the husband Hanss Hansel's original home or place of birth. Perhaps he was instead from the Badenish area; note that in 1648 there had been a marriage of a Margareth Hensel, daughter of an Adam Hensel, married in Dundenheim, neighboring villiage to Altenheim. Adam Hansel was called "the deceased former citizen of Haeringen" which was a small village 9 km northeast of Saarburg, in the Saar.

We know that Hans survived his wife.

C 2 Margarethe Vollmann, the wife of Hanss Hansel, was born about 1622. There is no record of the marriage at Altenheim, and in fact the first child was undoubtedly born before the family came to Altenheim. Margarethe died at Altenheim 24 November, 1671. The Protestant Minister Buettner wrote in the local records: "Margarethe Vollmann, Hannss Haenssels Catholic wife. She was educated by Christian parents in Grunow but she has with her husband seceded in the troubles of war." Children:

A. Hans Georg Hansel - C 3

B. Kilian Hansel - Baptized at Altenheim 25 May, 1651. There is no record of his confirmation or marriage, or other evidence of his later existence.

C. Anna Maria Hansel - born 1661; died at the age of 12, 20 May, 1673.

C 3 Hans Georg Hansel was born in 1645, probably before the arrival of his parents in Altenheim. He was a "shipman," and the thought arises that perhaps the family were workers on the Rhine, and that their trade took them as travelers along the different rivers of Germany, bringing the family to settle at Altenheim. He died at Altenheim on October 3, 1725, after two marriages.

C 4 Catharina Buttner or Buettner, was born at Altenheim October 1st, 1654, the daughter of David Buettner and his wife Christina Schmid. She was married to Hans Georg Hansel 17 May, 1686, at Altenheim, and died there 3 October, 1725. Children:

A. David Hansel - C 5

B. Margareth Hansel - Infant, born 19 May, 1688; died 3 April, 1693.

C. Christina Hansel - C 6

D. Catharina Hansel - C 7

C 8 Magdalena Bonners was the second wife of Hans Georg Hansel; they were married at Altenheim 17 June, 1714. There were no children of this marriage.

Magdalena was born 25 February, 1672, at Altenheim, and died there within six years of her second marriage; death date - 18 April, 1720.

She had previously been married, and was the daughter of Hanss Bonners (Boners) and his wife Catharina Pfotzer or Pfortzer.

Hanns Phillips, the first husband, was a grandson of A 72, Matthias Phillips and A 73, Anna Muller. He was the son of Matthis Phillips and Magdalena Kuehlmann.

Phillips was born at Altenheim, 30 December, 1676, and was drowned there 14 September, 1713.

Magdalena's marriage to Hanns Phillips was at Altenheim, 15 February, 1696.

Children of Hanns Phillips and C 8 - Magdalena Bonners:

A. Mattheus Phillips - born 3 May, 1696; drowned as a single youth, in the Rhine, 15 June, 1708.

B. Johann Phillips - born 28 May, 1697; no further record.

C. Hanss Jorg Phillips - born 19 August, 1698; infant, died 14 November, 1702.

D. Hanss Phillips - born 10 September, 1701; died 20 April, 1705.

C 5 David Hansel - Born 31 March, 1687. He was so weak at birth he was not expected to live, and so was baptized immediately by the midwife instead of being taken to the church. He was christened 2 April, 1687. He died at Altenhiem 6 February, and was buried 8 February, 1757. Funeral Text Psalms 89:13-14 THOU hast a mighty arm; stron is thy hand and high is thy right hand. Justice and judgement are the habitation of THY throne; mercy and truth shall go before thy face.

C 9 Catharina Boss or Boess, was born 16 February, 1695, Altenheim, daughter of Hans Boss or Bosz and his wife Barbara Meyer. She died and was buried at Altenheim, 8 September/9 September, 1749. Her marriage to David Hansel was 20 August, 1714, at Altenheim, where all of her following children were born:

A. Catharina Hansel - born 17 Oct., 1715; died single 1 January, 1760.

B. Johann Georg Hansel - C 10

C. David Hansel - C 11

D. Jacob Hansel - C 12

E. Barbara Hansel - C 13

F. Ursula Hansel - C 14

C 6 Christina Hansel was born at Altenheim 17 March, 1691, and died there26 January, 1764. She was buried January 28th, 1764. Married once only.

C 15 Jacob Meyer, fisherman, was married 25 February, 1715, at Altehheim, to Christina Hansel. The son of Mannss Meyer, shipman, and wife Maria Hausser, he was born at Altenheim 13 December, 1689. He died there 23 March and was buried 25 March, 1745. Children:

A. Catharina Meyer - born 6 May, 1716; died 4 May, 1746. Married Johann Georg Marx on 22 November, 1745.

B. Christina Meyer - born 8 August, 1718; died 23 November, 1775. Married Michael Eberwein 22 November, 1745, the same date as her older sister.

C. A stillborn girl, 20 January, 1724.

D. Johannes Meyer - born 21 November, 1727; died 5 December, 1727.

E. Anna Maria Meyer - born 16 June, 1730; died 11 February, 1757. Married to Conrad Wurth on 18 November, 1748.

F. Ursula Meyer - born 14 Feb., 1732; died 20 June, 1732.

G. Jacob Meyer - born 17 January, 1735; died 14 June, 1742.

C 7 Catharina Hansel - Born at Altenheim 26 May, 1697; died at Altenheim 24 May and buried there 26 May, 1739. She was married in Altenheim, 31 August, 1720, to Michael Rinkel.

C 16 Michael Rinkel was born at Altenheim 6 February, 1697, the son of the Community Councillor Jacob Rinkel and his wife Magdalena Rauh. He married a second time, after the death of Catharina Hansel. We do not have the details of any children by this second marriage, which was at Altenheim, 8 February, 1740, to Anna Maria Strohsack. Michael was an oil-miller by trade, and died at Altenheim, 16 May, 1781.

Children of Michael Rinkel and Catharina Hansel:

A. A still-born son, 23 March, 1721.

B. Johann Georg Rinkel, shipman and oil-miller. Born 11 May, 1722; died 18 October, 1793; married 23 May, 1746, Dorothea Christina Roeder von Diersburg, of the old Badenish nobility.

C. A stillborn son, 13 November, 1725.

D. Catharina Rinkel - born 22 March, 1727; died 27 February, 1801; married 19 February, 1748, Michael Bottler.

E. Magdalena Rinkel - born 16 December, 1737; died 31 July, 1738.

C 10 Johann Georg Hansel - Born at Altenheim 10 June, 1717, and died there 11 July, 1744, after just one year and three days of marriage.

C 17 Ursula Fritsch was married to Johann Georg Hansel at Altenheim 8 July, 1743. The daughter of Joseph Fritsch and wife Anna Huegel, she was born at Altenheim 28 December, 1720, and died there 3 May, 1783.

The one child of this marriage was:

A. David Hansel - C 18

Ursula [Fritsch] Hansel married second, 10 January, 1746, the linen-weaver Johann Ludwig Haffner, the son of the Lahr linen-weaver Hanns Hafner. He was born 7 September, 1720, and died at Altenheim September 19, 1806. Their two children, both born in Altenheim, were:

A. Johannes Hafner - weaver - born 7 March, 1749; died 10 November, 1820. Married to Anna Maria Wurth on 10 February, 1777.

B. Ursula Hafner - born 15 February, 1754; died 1 October, 1827. Married 15 February, 1773, Johannes Strosack.

C 11 David Hansel - linen weaver - born at Altenheim 22 March, 1720 and died there 25 February, 1793.

C 19 Ursula Koenig married David Hansel at Altenheim, 10 January, 1746. She was the daughter of Jacob Koenig and Catharina Anselm; born and died at Altenheim, 5 February, 1725/25 December, 1804.

Children:

A. David Hansel - born 10 Oct., 1746; died 11 January, 1747.

B. Ursula Hansel - C 20

C 12 Jacob Hansel was born 7 February, 1723, at Altenheim, and died there 3 March, buried 5 March, 1785. Married twice.

C 21 Catherina Mild, who at the time of her marriage to Jacob was a widow, was the daughter of Hanns Mild and wife Catharina Schaeffer. She was born 13 May, 1714, at Altenheim, and died there 12 November, 1766. She had first been married to Johann Georg Fischer on 19 November, 1731. Fischer, son of Johann Georg Fischer and Christina Marzloff, was born at Altenheim 10 April, 1712, and died there 26 November, 1744. Children of this marriage:

A. Ursula Fischer - born 29 October, 1732; died 21 February, 1733.

B. Johann Georg Fischer - born 11 Jan., 1735; died 11 April, 1735.

C. Johannes Fischer - born 22 April, 1736; died 2 July, 1807. Married 21 February, 1757, Margaretha Spengler, who died 1 March, 1806.

D. Johann Georg Fischer - born 24 January, 1738; died 10 November, 1818. Married 6 April, 1761, Barbara Phillips, daughter of A 18/A 19 Andreas Phillips and Ursula Marx. She died 23 March, 1790.

E. Catharina Fischer - born 25 June, 1741; died 1 January, 1770. Married 20 November, 1758, Michael Pauli, who died 13 February, 1803.

Catherina's marriage to Jacob Hansel was 15 November, 1745, at Altenheim, where all of their following children were born.

A. Jacob Hansel - C 22

B. Michael Hansel - born 19 September; died 20 November the same year.

C. Ursula Hansel - born 13 October, 1748; died 27 May, 1769; single.

D. Diebold Hansel - born 31 March, 1751; confirmation record, 1766, is the only further record to be found of him.

E. Anna Maria Hansel - C 23

F. Barbara Hansel - born 3 October, 1756; died 9 September, 1756.

G. Magdalena Hansel - twin of Barbara; died just two weeks, dying 17 August, 1756.

H. David Hansel - born 10 December, 1757; died 26 January, 1758.

C 24 Margaretha Phillips, widow, was married to Jacob Hansel as his second wife, 18 April, 1768, at Altenheim. She was born at Altenheim 7 December, 1732 and christened there December 8th. Died and buried at Altenheim, 8 December/11 December, 1783. Parents: Andreas Phillips, fisherman [A18] and wife [A19] Ursula Marx.

Children of Jacob Hansel and wife Margaretha Phillips, all born at Altenheim:

A. Christian Hansel - born 12 March, 1769; no further record.

B. Barbara Hansel - C 25

C. Johannes Hansel - C 26

Margaretha Phillips had been married first to Matern Schafer, 17 September 1752, Altenheim. He was a widower at this marriage, his first wife having died only a few days earlier.

Schafer was born 9 October, 1719, and died 4 October, 1766. His first marriage was on November 9, 1744, to Barbara Rinkel [born 29 March, 1723; died 5 Sept., 1752] and by her he had the following:

A. Catharina Schafer - born 9 June, 1745; died 20 Dec., 1809; married 9 January, 1769, at Altenheim, Conrad Schneider, who died there on August 6th, 1815.

B. Barbara Schafer - born 7 July, 1748; died 15 April, 1816; married 18 June, 1770, the widower Diebold Marx who died 26 January, 1805.

Children of Matern Schafer and Margaretha Phillips, all born at Altenheim:-

A. Andreas Schafer - born 2 January, 1755; died 23 September, 1757.

B. Ursula Schafer - born 24 July, 1756; died 17 November, 1813. Married Abraham Garzeller.

C. Johannes Schafer - born 22 December, 1758; died _____.

D. Matern Schafer - born 3 March, 1761; died 10 April, 1829. First marriage was on 26 April, 1784, to Anna Maria Phillips, who died on January 10th 1803. He then married, 11 April, 1803, Ursula Mild.

E. Diebold Schafer - born 17 December, 1764; died 9 January, 1765.

F. Diebold Schafer - born 5 July, 1766; died 25 December, 1769.

C 13 Barbara Hansel was born 29 April, 1725; married 19 January, 1750; died 14 August, 1757; buried 15 August, 1757; all at Altenheim.

C 27 Georg Rinkel, Barbara's husband, was born 28 November, 1717, and died April 4th, 1772. He was the son of Georg Rinkel and Margaretha Reuther. He survived Barbara to marry Magdalena Fisher in Altenheim, 6 February, 1758. We have no details of children of the second marriage.

Children of Georg Rinkel and wife Barbara Hansel, all born at Altenheim:

A. Georg Rinkel - born 1 September, 1752; died 19 June, 1791. Marr. January 13, 1777, Catharina Reutter.

B. Diebold Rinkel - bootmaker - born 27 January, 1754; died Oct. 10, 1796. Married Catharina Graf 19 November, 1781.

C. Jacob Rinkel - born 12 July, 1755; died 5 August, 1805. Married 10 January, 1780, Margaretha Koenig, the widow of Georg Loescher.

D. Barbara Rinkel - born 11 August, 1757; died 20 August, 1757.

C 14 Ursula Hansel was born at Altenheim 15 December, 1727, and was married there January 13th, 1749, to Diebold Koenig. She died December 22, 1790.

C 28 Diebold Koenig was the son of Diebold Koenig and wife Anna Hausser. He was born at Altenheim 29 January, 1723, and died and was buried there 10 November/12 November, 1764. Their children, all born at Altenheim:

A. Diebold Koenig - born 15 November, 1749; died 5 March, 1823. Marr. 12 January, 1778, Anna Maria Sengel.

B. Michael Koenig - born 3 March, 1754; died 3 February, 1837; married 6 February, 1786, Catharina Brem.

C. Johannes Koenig - born 20 Dec., 1755; died 1 August, 1756.

D. Jacob Koenig - born 10 August, 1758; died 3 January, 1836. Married first, 18 January, 1782, Ursula Speck. Married 2nd, 6 June, 1785, Catharina Engel.

E. Johannes Koenig - born 20 August, 1761; mute; drowned in a ditch on August 7th, 1770.

C 18 David Hansel was born 13 May, 1744, at Altenheim, and died there 21 February, 1797. On 9 February, 1767, he married Ursula Ruff, in Altenheim. By trade, he was a master linen-weaver.

C 29 Ursula Ruff (Ruoff) was the daughter of Jacob Ruff and Barbara Wurth, of Altenheim; she was born there 17 July, 1745, and died there 7 March, 1824. Children:

A. David Hansel - born 16 October, 1769; died 4 November, same year.

B. Jacob Hansel - born 14 October, 1771; died 2 May, 1779.

C. Ursula Hansel - C 30

D. Anna Maria Hansel - C 31

C 20 Ursula Hansel was born in Altenheim 26 April, 1748, and died there 19 January, 1826. She married Jacob Lang 12 January, 1767.

C 32 Jacob Lang was the son of Diebold Lang and wife Brigitta Rinkel. Born at Altenheim 4 October, 1728, and died there 5 March, 1808. This couple had the following children, all born at Altenheim:

A. David Lang - born 19 February, 1768; death data not leanned. He married 15 February, 1790, Ursula Rinkel, who died as a widow November 6th, 1849.

B. Ursula Lang - born 19 April, 1770; died 27 November, 1787.

C. Catharina Lang - born 7 October, 1773; died _____. (There is no record of her confirmation, death, or marriage in the Altenheim records.)

D. Diebold Lang - born 28 July, 1777; died the following day.

E. Jacob Lang - born and died 21 November, 1778.

F. Anna Maria Lang - born 27 Feb., 1780; died 17 July, 1857; married 9 February, 1801, Theobald Biegert.

C 22 Jacob Hansel was born 16 August, 1746; married 23 January, 1769; died 31 October, 1820; all at Altenheim.

C 33 Catharina Krahmer, Jacob's wife, was born in Altenheim, 25 Dec., 1751, and died there 13 March, 1811. Parents: Jacob Krahmer or Kraehmer, the sailor, and wife Ursula Wohrer. Children:

A. Jacob Hansel - born at Altenheim (as were all the children in this family) 23 March, 1770; died 29 March, 1770.

B. Jacob Hansel - C 34

C. Catharina Hansel - born 17 September, 1773, and died 1 Oct., 1773.

D. Catharina Hansel - C 35

E. Ursula Hansel - C 36

F. Anna Maria Hansel - C 37

G. Theobald Hansel - born 18 November, 1783; he was confirmed at Altenheim in 1798, and then disappears from the records.

H. David Hansel - C 38

I. Magdalena Hansel - C 39

J. Johann Georg Hansel - born 30 September, 1788; died 16 Oct., 1788.

K. Johannes Hansel - C 40

L. Barbara Hansel - born 29 November, 1791; died single at Hohnhurst 21 October, 1860.

M. Hanns Georg Hansel - born 13 April, 1797; died 11 June, 1797.

C 23 Anna Maria Hansel - Born at Altenheim 11 October, 1753, and died there 5 June, 1832. Married Jacob Rinkel 17 February, 1772.

C 41 Jacob Rinkel was born 1 December, 1746, the son of Matern Rinkel and Anna Marzloff. We do not have his death record.

A. Jacob Rinkel - son of the above couple - was born 9 September, 1775, at Altenheim. On 18 April, 1803, he was married to Anna Ursula Bieckert. Death record not found.

C 25 Barbara Hansel - born 7 January, 1772; married 7 June, 1790; died 20 November, 1846; all at Altenheim.

C 42 Andreas Bieckert or Biegert - husband of Barbara - was the son of Heinrich Biegert and wife Anna Maria Anselm; he was born and died in Altenheim, 29 November, 1764/27 March, 1841. The three children of this couple were born in Altenheim:

A. Andreas Biegert - nailsmith - born 14 March, 1791; moved away from Altenheim sometime after his marriage, June 6, 1790, to Christina Wurth.

B. Jacob Biegert - born 6 February, 1793; died 26 May, 1861. Married Anna Maria Reuter on 4 May, 1828.

C. Johannes Biegert - born 27 August, 1798; died 12 October, 1804.

C 26 Johannes Hansel was born 27 July, 1773 and christened 28 July; married 20 February, 1797; died 5 September, 1838; all at Altenheim.

C 43 Margaretha Salomea Fischer, Johannes' wife, was the daughter of Johann Michael Fischer and wife Joanna Juliana Mueller. She was born 15 August, 1767; confirmed at Altenheim, 1777, and died there 25 October, 1837. All of their children were born at Altenheim:

A. Margaretha Hansel - born 19 Feb., 1798; died 18 July, 1799.

B. Johannes Hansel - C 44

C. David Hansel - born 18 August, 1802; died 30 October, 1806.

D. Theobald Hansel - C 45

C 30 Ursula Hansel - married C 34 q.v.

C 31 Anna Maria Hansel was born 14 March, 1783, at Altenheim, and died there 24 December, 1843. She married Michael Roth at Altenheim 29 December, 1800. We have no information about the children of this couple; the husband died 22 February, 1846.

C 34 Jacob Hansel - born 1 March, 1772; married 20 Feb., 1797; died 8 September, 1845; all at Altenheim.

C 30 Ursula Hansel, wife of Jacob Hansel, was born 26 July, 1773 and died 5 November, 1829. Children:

A. Ursula Hansel - born 2 July, 1799; died single 21 September, 1867.

B. Catharina Hansel - C 46

C 35 Catharina Hansel was born 2 July, 1776; married Andreas Tunth 16 January, 1797; died 12 March, 1845; all at Altenheim.

C 47 Andreas Tunth was born at Altenheim 15 May, 1771, and died there 19 May, 1841; son of Andreas Tunth of Altenheim and wife Ursula Huegel. Their children, all born in Altenheim:

A. A stillborn child, 15 January, 1798. [Twin]

B. Catharina Tunth - born and died on 15 January, 1798. [Twin]

C. Catharina Tunth - born 2 September, 1804; died 3 June, 1875. Married 4 May, 1828 Michael Linckert, who died 15 March, 1870.

D. Andreas Tunth - Clerk of Council - born 20 Dec., 1807; died 21 June, 1889; married 11 May, 1834, Christina Anselm.

C 36 Ursula Hansel - born 13 February, 1779; died 14 November, 1843. She did not marry, but had one child:

A. Matthias Fels - father's name given as Matthias Fels. He was a weaver, and was born at Altenheim 30 June, 1806. He married twice. Emigrated to America with his family in 1852; no record since his arrival in this country.

The first marriage, 28 August, 1832, was to Christina Weiss. She died at Altenheim 5 September, 1843. Two children, Matthias, born 6 March, 1834, and Christina, born 25 February, 1838.

Matthias Fels married 2nd, 16 May, 1844, Christina Pauli. This marriage brought the following children: Katherina Fels and Michael Fels, twins, born 23 December, 1844; Maria Ursula Fels, born 10 January, 1846; Maria Eva Fels, born 26 November, 1847; Michael Fels, born 16 July, 1849; and Christian Fels, born 6 June, 1851.

C 37 Anna Maria Hansel was born 30 April, 1781; married Johannes Kilius 18 March, 1815; died 30 November, 1851; all at Altenheim.

C 48 Johannes Kilius was the son of Hans Kilius, of Altenheim, and his wife Anna Maria Fischer. Hewwas a master rope-maker; born July 28, 1749; died 29 January, 1816. Prior to his marriage to Anna Maria Hansel, he had married 23 January, 1786, Eva Bauer. We do not have a record of any children by his first marriage, but there were none by the second wife.

C 38 David Hansel was born at Altenheim 3 July, 1785 and died there 10 December, 1846. He married twice.

C 49 Catharina Rinkel, the first wife, was the daughter of Anna Maria Ziegler by Jacob Rinkel of Altenheim. She was born 24 November, 1779; married David Hansel 7 August, 1811; died 4 September, 1818; all at Altenheim. She had married first, Heinrich Gerhart, son of Michael Gerhardt of Miestersheim and wife Anna Maria Siechrest. "Threw herself in the river - in the night - and died there; one does not know exactly why."

A. Anna Maria Hansel - born 8 July, 1812; died 1 July, 1823.

B. Maria Ursula Hansel - born 7 August, 1813; died 20 October, 1813.

C 50 Anna Ursula Koenig, second wife of David Hansel, was born 26 June 1787; married 2 January, 1820; died 18 March, 1850; all at Altenheim. Parents: Jacob Koenig and wife Catharina Engel. The only child of this marriage was:

A. David Hansel - born 17 July, 1821, Altenheim; died 28 Aug., 1824.

C 39 Magdalena Hansel was born at Altenheim 25 August, 1787 and died there 27 March, 1857. She did not marry, but was the mother of two children, both born at Altenheim:

A. Magdalena Hansel - C 51 [The father was not known - "a strange youth."]

B. Christian Hansel - C 52 - [Father's name not known.]

C 40 Johannes Hansel - born 17 October, 1790; married 10 November, 1811; died 20 September, 1859; all at Altenheim.

C 53 Magdalena Eisenmann, wife of Johannes, was born at Altenheim 18 May, 1790, and died there 25 May, 1866. Parents: Jacob E. Eisanmann and wife Catharina Leser. Both children of this couple were born at Altenheim:

A. Johannes Hansel - C 54

B. Theobald Hansel - C 55

C 44 Johannes Hansel - Cowherd and later policeman - born 31 January, 1800; christened 2 February, 1800; married Catherina Anselm 26 January, 1823; died 13 November, 1870; all at Altenheim.

C 56 Katherina Anselm was born at Altenheim 14 July and christened 15 July, 1804; died there 5 December, 1830. Daughter of Michael Anselm [A 6] and Katherina Reuter [A 7] Children, all born at Altenheim:-

A. Johann Michael Hansel - C 57

B. Theobald Hansel - born 13 March, 1825; moved to America, 1851.

C. Katharina Hansel - born 5 August, 1826; died 22 August, 1826.

D. David Hansel - born 4 April, 1828; some earlier residents of Altenheim claimed to remember him as a "policeman" but many others believe this was not true, except that he had perhaps helped his father on occasion. There is no record of his employment or appointment as the town records confirm. He may have moved to America.

E. Johannes Hansel - C 58

F. Jacob Hansel - born and died 15 November, 1830; lived 1/4 hour.

C 45 Theobald Hansel was born 3 February, 1805; married 28 November, 1826; died 24 April, 1881; all at Altenheim.

C 59 Catharina Elisabetha Baumgarten, wife of Theobald, was a widow when she married him. She was born at Altenheim 3 October, 1792, and died there 5 July, 1874. Her first marriage, 11 August, 1811, was to Johannes Mild, son of Georg Mild and Ursula Hauser. He was born at Altenheim 28 May, 1771, and died there 27 March, 1826. One child:-

A. Johannes Mild - born 24 November, 1811; died 19 November, 1875. Married 20 May, 1838, to Maria Ursula Koenig, who survived him, dying 28 February, 1879.

Children of Theobald and Catherina [Baumgarten] Hansel, all born at Altenheim:-

A. Michael Hansel - born 19 January, 1827; died 10 March, 1827.

B. Theobald Hansel - born 20 July, 1828; died 17 Dec., 1828.

C. Catharina Hansel - born 18 August, 1829; died same day.

D. Catharina Hansel - C 60

E. Theobald Hansel - C 61

Catharina Baumgarten was the daughter of Carl Christian Baumgarten, son of the Altenheim teacher, Leopold Christian Baumgarten, from Usigen near Frankfort and Bad Homburg, and of his wife Catharina Fischer.

C 46 Catharina Hansel was born 20 October, 1803; died 2 February, 1850.

C 62 Johann Georg Waldemann married Catharina at Altenheim, 30 April, 1803. He died there 14 February, 1875. Other details not known.

C 51 Magdalena Hansel was born at Altenheim 5 January, 1807.

C 63 David Adam married Magdalena Hansel6 May, 1827. He migrated to America with his wife and children. The following children were born in Altenheim before leaving for America:-

A. David Adam - born 7 November, 1827.

B. Magdalena Adam - born 6 March, 1829.

C. Christina Adam - born 2 March, 1830.

D. Anna Maria Adam - born 24 September, 1831.

C 52 Christian Hansel was born 22 May, 1819; married 14 May, 1846; died 22 April, 1879; all at Altenheim.

C 64 Barbara Hauser, wife of Christian Hansel, died 23 February, 1856, at Altenheim. Children:

A. Magdalena Hansel - C 65

B. Christian Ludwig Hansel - born 24 September, 1848

C. David Hansel - born 25 March, 1851; died 30 May, 1851.

D. Catherina Hansel - born 8 June, 1853; died 2 Aug., 1853. [Twin]

E. Christina Hansel - born 8 June, 1853; died 2 May, 1854. [Twin]

C 54 Johannes Hansel was born at Altenheim 23 March, 1812, and died there 21 January, 1880.

C 66 Barbara Mayer was married to Johannes Hansel at Altenheim, April 14th, 1839. Family details not gleaned.

C 55 Theobald Hansel was born at Altenheim 11 May, 1824, and died there 18 September, 1885.

C 67 Magdalena Huegel, wife of Theobald, was married to him at Altenheim on 15 October, 1850. We have not secured family details.

C 57 Johann Michael Hansel was born 22 October and christened 26 October, 1823; at Altenheim. He died about 1879, at Berger, Franklin County, Missouri, after having brought his wife and family to America in October, 1865. He settled first near St. Louis, Missouri, and then farmed near Ballwin, St. Louis County. He removed to Berger, where he occasionally took part in the activities of the community by serving as a substitute lay minister of the local Lutheran church when no minister was available.

C 68 Christina Wiener married Johann Michael Hansel at Altenheim on January 31st, 1847. Details of her life and ancestry are found in Chapter 3. She was born at Altenheim 31 August, 1825, the daughter of Johann Wiener and wife Katherina Sengel. Died at St. Louis, Missouri, 21 March, 1910. Buried at St. Peters Cemetery, St. Louis.

The old Hansel Home in Altenheim

[A composite sketch from numerous photographs.]

Children of Johann Michael Hansel and wife Christina Wiener:-

A. Johann Michael Gottfried Hansel - C 69

B. Christina Hansel - C 70

C. Johannes Hansel - born 2 May, 1851; died 20 July, 1851.

D. Katherina Hansel - C 71

E. Karolina Hansel - C 72

F. Georg Hansel - C 73

G. Henry Hansel - a twin of Georg - born 3 April, 1871, at Ballwin, St. Louis County, Missouri. Died there as an infant.

C 58 Johannes Hansel - born 17 October, 1829, at Altenheim. Moved to America in September, 1851, and is known to have lived near Lenzburg, Illinois. We have not sudceeded in establishing contact with these relatives although several attempts have been made through letters to Post Masters and other local officials, and through searches of the Census records.

C 74 The name of Johannes' wife is not known, but this number is reserved for use when it can be learned. Children included:

A. Edward Hansel - C 75

B. Mary Hansel - C 76

C 60 Catharina Hansel was born in Altenheim 8 January, 1831, and died there 8 June, 1866. Married Jacob Hauser 26 August, 1851.

C 77 Jacob Hauser, day laborer, was the son of the Altenheim couple Georg Hauser and wife Catharina Huegel. He was born at Altenheim 21 May, 1825, and died there 1 March, 1895. After Catharina's death, he married 2nd, on January 6th, 1867, Maria Dirchilio.

Children of Georg and Catharina, all born at Altenheim:

A. Jacob Hauser - born 16 October, 1852; died 8 March, 1873; single.

B. David Hauser - born 9 August, 1854; died 28 August, 1854.

C. Theobald Hauser - born 18 April, 1856; married 12 May, 1881, Anna Maria Wagner of Dundenheim. In 1883 this couple emigrated to America.

D. Catharina Hauser - born 29 November, 1857; no further record.

E. Carolina Hauser - born 14 September, 1859; died 22 September, 1859.

C 61 Theobald Hansel - Born at Altenheim 30 October, 1835; drowned in the Rhine 16 September, 1861. [His body was never found.]

C 78 Katharina Kautz was born 19 August, 1836; married to Theobald Hansel 7 February, 1858; died 13 July, 1914; all at Altenheim. She was the daughter of Johann Jacob Kautz and wife Catharina Grueninger.

Children:

A. Theobald Gottfried Hansel - C 79

B. David Hansel - C 80

C 65 Magdalena Hansel - born 28 April, baptized 16 May, 1846, Altenheim. Died at Schutterzell, Baden, 29 November, 1923.

C 81 Daniel Schneider, of Schutterzell, was Magdalena's husband. Family details not secured.

C 69 Johann Gottfried Michael Hansel - born at Altenheim 7 May, 1847. Came to America with his parents. He married the widow Christine Otto Rhinehart or Reinhardt, of E. St. Louis, Illinois, and Waterloo, Illinois. She died at Waterloo 5 May, 1920. After many years of serious illness and paralysis, he died there on December 12th, 1938. Both are buried in the Lutheran Cemetery at Waterloo. No children.

C 82 Christine Otto - details of first marriage, parentage, etc. have not been secured.

C 70 Christina Hensel was born at Altenheim 19 September, 1848; was brought to America with her parents, and married about 1867, probably at St. Louis, Missouri, or East St. Louis, Illinois. She was buried at Kirkwood, Missouri, in the Oak Hill Cemetery. There is some confusion regarding her death date; some members of the family say she died in 1879; others say 1892. The local records have not been useful.

C 83 Matthias Cressant, who died at St. Louis, Mo., in 1875, originally came from St. Charles, St. Charles County, Missouri.

The one child of Matthias and Christina Cressant was:

A. Mary Christina Cressant - born 1868; lived in St. Charles County, Missouri; died 1925, Labbadie, Missouri. She married Jesse Adolph Cunio; by him she had Irwin, Preston, Lafayette, Irene, and Gladys Cunio.

C 71 Katharina Hansel came with her parents to America, and died in the pioneering of the American midwest. For more complete details of her life, see the dedication and Chapter 1. She was born 27 October, 1856, at Altenheim, and died 14 October, 1896, at Galena, Cherokee County, Kansas. She married John Frederick Duermyer 14 October, 1875, at East Saint Louis, St. Clair County, Illinois.

C 84 John Frederick Duermyer, son of Bernhard and Margaret Duermyer [Duerrmeier.] He was born in Femme Osage Township, St. Charles County, Missouri, and was the first of his parents' children to be born in America. Born 10 June, 1847; died at Kansas City, Kansas, 23 December, 1913. Children:

A. Benjamin Michael Duermyer - Born 19 September, 1876; died 10 Feb., 1937. Married Anna Dusenberry.

B. William Duermyer - born ___April, 1880; died ___January, 1881.

C. Katherine Duermyer - born and died 1881.

D. Bertha Anna Duermyer - born 28 May, 1882; lives at St. Joseph, Missouri. Married 6 April, 1913, William Henry Bacon.

E. Frank Joseph Duermyer - born 12 November, 1884; died 8 July, 1949. Married 4 April, 1910, Minerva Adalaid Morris.

F. John Robert Duermyer - born 9 February, 1888; lives at St. Joseph, Missouri. Single.

G. Kate Mary Duermyer - born 28 September, 1891; married Frank Thelen in 1923. Lives in Kansas City, Missouri.

H. Louis Lenord Duermyer - born 19 February, 1895; died 14 February, 1932. Married 25 August, 1913, Anna Jane Ashbaugh.

C 72 Karolina Hansel - born 14 June, 1861, Altenheim, Baden. Was brought to America by her parents as a small child. She married Johann L. Ott 23 June, 1878, in St. Louis County, Missouri. I have mentioned in Chapter 2 that it was her memories concerning the family home, and family conversations, which finally made it possible to learn that our grandmother came from Altenheim and in turn made this research possible. She died October 28th, 1948, at Arcadia, Iron County, Missouri, and was buried on October 30th at Ironton.

C 85 Johann Georg Leonhard Ott was the son of Johann Leonhard Ott and wife Anna Barbara Wanback. He was born at Manchester, St. Louis County, Mo., 17 March, 1857; died 9 November, 1948, at Baden Station, St. Louis County, and buried 12th November at Arcadia, Mo. He remembered and told many amusing and interesting tales of his parents' family home in Germany, and I regret that I did not record the name of the family village for interested relatives.

Children of Johann L. Ott and wife Karolina Hansel:-

A. Johann George Michael Ott - born 21 February, 1880; died 1887.

B. Anna Christina Ott - born 14 August, 1882; married Fred Roemer.

C. Caroline Christina Ott - born 29 August, 1884; married George Clayton.

D. George Ott - born 10 September, 1886; married a Miss Thompson.

E. Frederick Jacob Ott - born 10 February, 1889; married Beatrice Valenciala.

F. Clara Ott - born 28 October, 1891; married a Mr. Mueller and in 1948 made her home at Arcadia, Missouri.

G. Edward Ott - born 30 April, 1896; no further details.

C 73 George Hansel - born 3 April, 1871, Ballwin, St. Louis County, Missouri. Glassworker. Died 23 February, 1935, at St. Louis, and is buried there in Valhalla Cemetery. Married Linda Augusta Ehrlich at Owensville, Gasconade County, Missouri, in 1895.

C 86 Linda August Ehrlich was the daughter of Gottfried Ehrlich and wife Anna Holt. She was born 16 March, 1872, Owensville, and died at St. Louis 7 June, 1946.

Children:

A. Emmet Hensel - born 19 January, 1897; died 26 October, 1898.

B. Edna Hensel - born 7 August, 1899; died 3 January, 1918.

C. William Hensel - born 29 March, 1905; was learning to fly a small airplane when it crashed and killed him on September 10th, 1922.

D. George Hensel - born 6 April, 1908, at Pacific, Franklin County, Missouri. He still lived at St. Louis, Missouri, about 1940. Single.

C 75 Edward Hansel - is known to have raised a family in Illinois, probably near Lenzburg.

C 87 We do not know the name of Edward's wife - correspondence to contact this family has been unavailing.

C 76 Mary Hansel - name of husband and children desired.

C 88 _____Richards, husband of Mary.

C 79 Theobald Gottfried Hansel - born 4 July, 1858. Lived in Chicago, Illinois. Lived in one home there from 1903-1927, when he sold and moved to McHenry, Illinois. He had maintained correspondence witn his relatives in Altenheim, but this was interrupted by the

turbulent war years. Attempts to find presently living members of this family, for correspondence, have been unsuccessful. He was a blacksmith, but in old age farmed his Illinois lands.

C 89 The wife's name is unknown; she is known to have been living 1927, when she accompanied her husband to the new home at McHenry.

A. John Hensel - C 90

B. Anna Hensel - C 91

C 80 David Hansel was born 5 December, 1861, at Altenheim, and died there 1 July, 1920. He married 4 November, 1884, Maria Barbara Nierlin, the daughter of Johann Georg Nierlin and wife Barbara Hansel. She was born 1 September, 1865, at Altenheim, and died there 22 March, 1930. [Johann Georg Nierlin has a history as a man of supernatural powers; he is said to have claimed he could not die until passing his powers to another human born on his birthday - Walpurgis Night - May 7th. He died on May 12, 1927, at 88 years. It is claimed he could turn himself into a cat - etc. etc. etc.]

C 92 Maria Barbara Nierlin was apparently a cousin to her husband, but we have not yet completed the line back from her mother, Barbara Hansel. Her children, bonr at Altenheim, were:-

A. David Hansel - C 93

B. Catharina Hansel - C 94

C. Karoline Hansel - C 95

C 90 John Hensel, of Chicago, "kept a shop for white iron."

C 96 This number reserved for details of John's wife, when available.

C 91 Anna Hensel - lived in Chicago, and removed with her parents and children, to make her home at McHenry, Illinois.

C 97 Mr. _____Jacobi, Anna's husband, had probably died by 1927. Their children included three daughters, names not presently available.

C 93 David Hansel - born at Altenheim 10 March, 1882. Married twice. Died at Hertingen, southwestern Baden, 25 July, 1949.

C 98 Christina Anselm, the first wife, married David at Altenheim 15 February, 1906; died 19 October, 1925.

C 99 Christina Fisher [widow of a Mr. Lang] was the second wife; married at Hertingen, and died there ____April, 1947.

C 94 Catharina Hansel - born 1 December, 1885, in Altenheim.

C 100 Friedrich Schneider was married to Catharina 12 April, 1904.

C 95 Karoline Hansel was born 19 February, 1887, at Altenheim, and died on 13 February, 1954.

C 101 Karl Leibiger, hairdresser, married Karoline Hansel 10 January, 1907. He died 29 September, 1927.

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Chapter 5

Part 1 - Miscellaneous Geographic and Historical Notes

Altenheim - Lippincott's Gazetteer - 1880 - says "A village of the Grand Duchy of Baden, in a rich champaign country; population 2125.

Barr, Alsace - A little town at the foot of the Vosges, Alsatian mountains; 27 KM WSW of Altenheim.

Bodersweier - Church books begin about 1700

Breisach (Alt Breisach) - A destroyed and ruined city. (Roman name was Mons Brisiacus.) St. Gervasius and St. Prothasius were the patron saints. (See Gervasius and Prothasius Sopher - A 1440 and A 720.) A famous work of art is the Cathedral's high altar, beautifully carved, finished in 1526, during the days of our first Sopher ancestors.

Dundenheim - Has both an Evangelical and a Catholic Chapel, but no minister or priest. The two faiths are served from Tchenheim, and both compete religiously. The protestants are more faithful in church attendance, and contribute more to missions, than elsewhere in Baden. Of the Catholics, their priest has said: "They will be holier than the Pope!" When Altenheim loses tobacco crops by hail, and Dundenheim is spared, the people say: "Heaven punishes the Godless Altenheimer!"

Kork, Baden - The Churchbooks commence in 1662.

Lahr - Old Churchbooks were burned in 1677 during the French marauding raids. Newer books commence 1689; thus the early records cannot be reconstructed.

Nimburg - The first Churchbook was lost in 1713, while it was hidden away from the French, at the Cloister Ober-Nimburg. Thereafter the minister Johannes Christian Vulpius asked all the people living in the town to bring in information as to when born and when married. Many of them could not give the exact information. The birth dates commence about 1642, and marriages about 1665. No death dates are given before October, 1713, nor are the birth or marriage records of any persons already deceased entered in the new records.

Odelshofen - The church books for the town were kept at Kork, and begin in 1662.

Rohrburg - Once an important town, the buildings were damaged by age and in time were dismantled; the timbers were used for new construction as Altenheim was rebuilt and expanded.

Strasbourg - The cultural center of the Rhine and a chief commercial and military location for centuries. The building of its Cathedral drew craftsmen and artists from all parts of

Europe. We can assume that this building brought thence some of our own ancestors, who are known to have had responsible positions at Strasbourg during the Cathedral's construction.

Until the Peace of Westphalia, Strasbourg had been saved for centuries from countless armies which had turned aside after encountering its severe and impregnable fortifications. This "Peace" of 1648, found a town of about 500 acres and perhaps 25,000 inhabitants. During the centuries it had been refuge and source of prosperity of many of our ancestors. Its history went back to the last century B.C., when Celts and Swabians fought for its mastery, but were overcome by the Romans, who called the town Argentoratum. A Roman Legion was stationed there, on the Ill River, until about 401; thereafter a period of chaos came, with invasions and attacks by Vandals, Huns, and Alemanns. By about 800 A.D., the Alemanni had control and called their town "Strazzeburc" or "Fortress of the Roads." Annexed to the Holy Roman Empire by Otto the Great, it was subject to the local Bishop, from about 925 A. D.

A considerable amount of local authority was vested in various guilds, or trades-groups. The local councils maintained an arbitrary independence, refusing to join strongly with the German princes, to whose fortunes their natural interests were most closely linked.

Thus when Westphalia found them ceded by treaty to a French rulership, they could only prepare for domination by strangers from the western French areas, and by the Catholic, Jesuit, heirarchy. In response, the outspoken and more individual of the residents, not only of Strasbourg, but also of the surrounding Alsatian cities, fled as they might, to the east of the Rhine.

Among the various churches we note: Jung St. Peter - which became Protestant in 1524. Temple Neuf (New Church) which was built by the Dominican Order, but became Lutheran.

Many early parish records from the entire Alsatian plain are preserved at Strasbourg, which has hundreds of old manuscript registers and citizen books dealing with its own residents.

Westhofen, the Alsace - A village in County Zabern; 22 KM west of Strasbourg. The church books of this village cannot be found either at the town, or among the collections stored in Strasbourg.

Willstatt - Willstaet - In the middle ages, this was a well-fortified town. Destroyed through many wars, it is now a village but somewhat more industrial than Altenheim. A beautiful baroque church was built here in 1753, of a richly ornamented style.

Part 2 - Related Ancestry [Saltzmann Family]

See Page 47. Johann Christoph Sopher, A 90, married first a Miss Saltzmann. The records for his times are somewhat fragmentary, and as a result it is difficult to ascribe his different children to the correct one of his wives. We strongly believe our ancestress A 45, Maria Dorothea Sopher, came from the second marriage. We have, however, desired to include the genealogy of the first wife, in the event some new item of history proves otherwise, ascribing her to this first Saltzmann wife.

Family reference numbers are shown in brackets, numbered identically with the basic genealogy.

[A 91] Miss ____ Saltzmann (Christian name not known) married Chr. Sopher before 1655. She was born about 1624, by estimate.

[A 182] Johann Jacob Saltzmann, born est. 1592, was Chemist in Lahr, Baden, 1652-1655. Chemist in Wasselnheim, Alsace, 1655-1657. Administrator of the Commercial House at Strasbourg, from 1657. Died Strasbourg, 1671.

[A 183] Judith Amman, of Augsburg, Bavaria, was born about 1596, and died at Strasbourg, 1660. Her children included:

A. Stephen Cornelius Saltzmann, who married 1st, Maria Magdalena Braun, and 2nd, Ottilia Wuerz. He was "Quaestor St. Marica", or Administrator of Finances of the Cathedral of St. Marys, Strasbourg.

B. The Fraulein Saltzmann who married Sopher.

[A 364] Johann Rudolph Saltzmann - Doctor of Medicine and Public Professor at Strasbourg. Praepositus of St.Thomas. Died 1656/57.

[A 365] Ursula Elizabeth Geiger. Children:

A. Anna Ursula Saltzmann- Married 1st, Daniel Dunkel; married 2nd, 10 May, 1635, Johann Jacob Seufert, of Durlach, Baden, who died November 28, 1675.

B. Johann Rudolph Saltzmann - Public Professor - married Elisabetha Wencker.

C. Johann Jacob - [A 182]

D. Balthasar Frederick Saltzmann - Lic.Theol. and minister of the Strasbourg Cathedral.

NOTE: Some of the above may be by the second wife, since the Citizens Books of Strasbourg do not distinguish between wives in giving fathers' offspring.

Catharina Berner, daughter of Christoph Berner, is shown as the second wife of Johann Rudolph Saltzmann.

[A 366] Freidrich Amman, of Augsburg, Schwaben, Bavaria

[A367] Judith Gienger - also of Augsburg.

[A728] Johannes Saltzmann, of Strasbourg, was probably born about 1523. He married twice, and it is not known which wife was mother of any particular child. He was "Actuary and Senator."

[A729] could have been either:

The first wife, Anna Brodbeck, or
The second wife, Appolonia Oetinger

Anna Brodbeck was from Boeblingen, Wuerttemburg, daughter of Johannes Brodbeck [probably A 1458] Amtmann (Magistrate) at Boeblingen, Neckar, Wuerttemburg, probably born before 1500.

Appolonia Oetinger's parentage is not known.

Children of the family:

A. Johann Valentinus Saltzmann - "Juris Utrisque Doctor" - married Sara Hartmann.

B. Johann Rudolph - [A 364]

C. Johann Friedrich Saltzmann - wife Agatha _____.

D. Johannes Saltzmann - Married; wife's name not known.

E. Johann Jacob Saltzmann - "Juris Utrisque Doctor" and "Syndicus - Colmar" Md. (1) Cecelia Mayer, who died 1647. Md. (2) Maria Regina Oeflinger, or Oetinger.

F. Johann Ulrich Saltzmann - married Elisabeth Heish or Heisch.

[A 730] Philip Geiger, of Strasbourg. No details.

[A 1456] Valentinus Saltzmann - born before 1495, at Strasbourg.

[A 1457] Brigitta Spanhaur. No details. Children:

A. Romanus Saltzmann

B. Johannes Saltzmann - [A 728]

C. Valentinus Saltzmann - married Maira Vissher

[A 2912] Rudolph Saltzmann - born ca. 1460-1465. Lived at Strasbourg.

[A 2913] Ursula Schwartz

[A 5824] Johannes Saltzmann - emigrated to Strasbourg. The pedigree in the Strasbourg Archives gives name of town from whence he came, but the entry is illegible.

[A 5825] Anna Wagner - from Danbach.

This family is mentioned as late as Harvard University's book, 1958, Strasbourg in Transition, (Ford),as follows: "---Goethe became part of what has entered literary history as the "Salzmann circle." "The man who gave his name to this group, Jean-Daniel Salzmann, was 49 in 1770, the product of a merchant family which since the mid-sixteenth century had given Strasbourg countless scholars, clergymen, and civil servants."

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Part 3 - Addenda

See Page 49 - Matern Rinkel, the 2nd husband of Anna Maria Wolff A97; details of the 1st marriage are now available:

Matern Rinkel was the son of Matern Rinkel and wife Ursula Schneider. He was baptized in Altenheim 7 February, 1636, and died there 22 Jan., 1689. His marriage to Barbara Hauser was at Altenheim, 28 January, 1650. Barbara, the daughter of Hanss Hauser, died in 1682. Birth details not learned, nor do we know the name of her mother.

Children, all born at Altenheim:

A. Jacob Rinkel - born 7 December, 1651; died in refuge before 1680. Married 1672, Catharina Adam, sho died 25 October, 1696. Having survived her husband, she had married 2nd, 7 June, 1680, Hanns Spaener.

B. Johannes Rinkel - born 10 June, 1654; died 6 January, 1694. He married Juliana Marx 12 June, 1676.

C. Ursula Rinkel - born 9 July, died 26 July, 1656.

D. Barbara Rinkel - born 16 August, 1657; death record not found. She married (1) 25 February, 1684, Georg Mild, who died 17 August, 1692. She then married (2) 20 November, 1693, Sebastian Schaub, who died 26 December, 1713.

E. Matern Rinkel - born 6 May, 1660; died 29 January, 1694; single.

F. Ursula Rinkel - born 26 August, 1663; drowned together with nine other people while attempting to escape from French marauders, on 14 September, 1713. She married the widower and Schultheiss, Hans Marx, 15 September, 1684; he died 2 December, 1729.

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See Page 67 - Antonius Koelle, son-in-law of A 448, Hans Reuter, was the son of Magister Joachim Koelle, minister in Altenheim 1609-1635.

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